

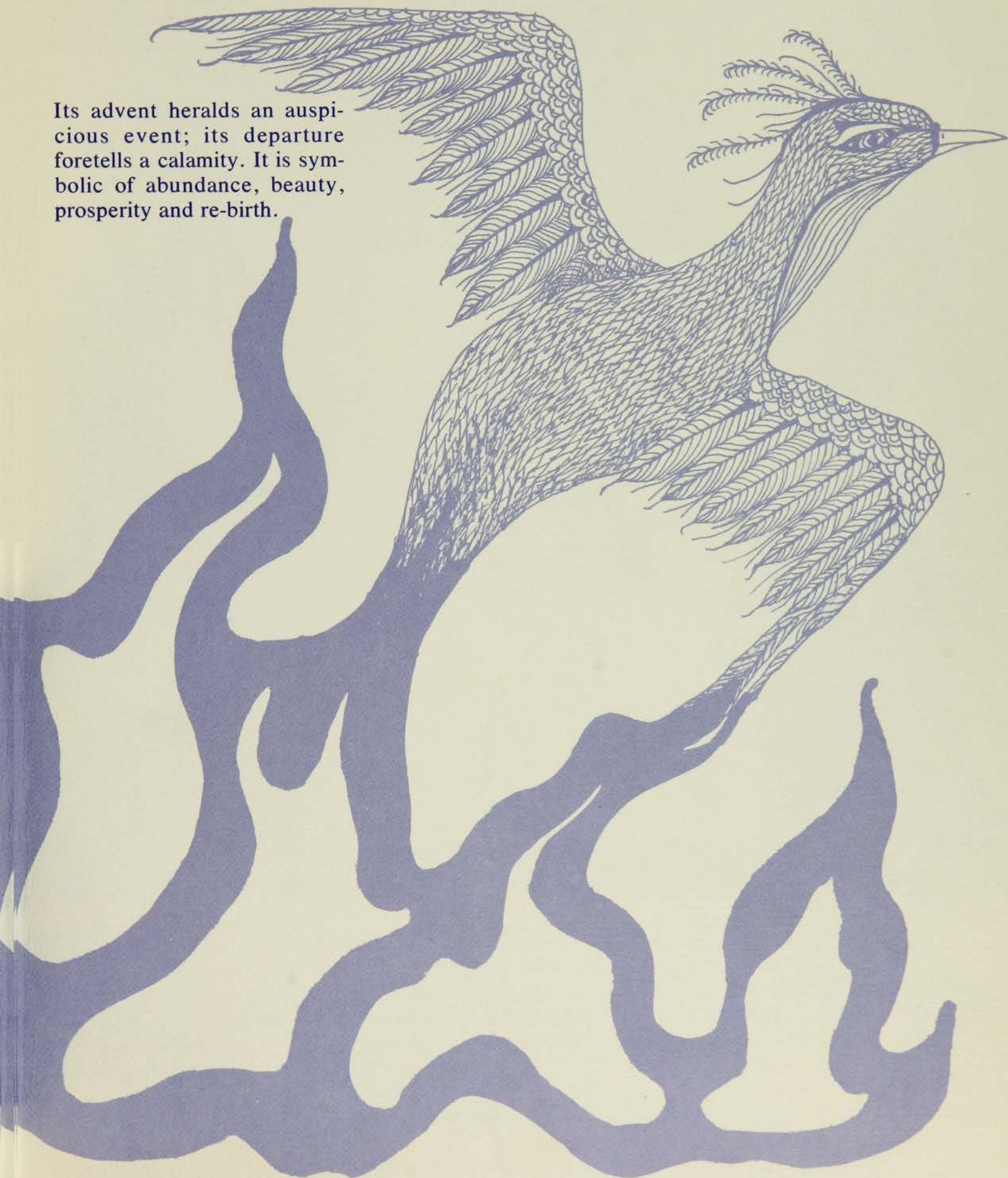
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PHOENIX: Fabulous Arabian bird. Emblem of solar or fire worship. It supposedly lives to a great age, at which time it burns itself to ashes and after three days comes to life again. Thus, it is symbolic of immortality, rejuvenation, self-immolation. It appears alone, without mate or companion. Figuratively, a person of singular or superlative excellence, a prodigy.



Its advent heralds an auspicious event; its departure foretells a calamity. It is symbolic of abundance, beauty, prosperity and re-birth.



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This year, Phoenix 1980 is dedicated to three devoted administrators. As students, we are often unaware of the work which goes on behind the scenes, the work which keeps Mount Vernon running smoothly and efficiently. Although they often go unnoticed and unheralded, we want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of three women who have helped make Mount Vernon an institution we value highly.

Ms. Mary Copeland, Ms. Jeannette Moore, Dr. Judith Weiner

This one's for you!

Each of us will be faced with the challenges of the 1980's in a variety of ways. Emotionally, socially and economically and politically we will encounter situations that we will question and perhaps even defy. This year's *Phoenix* portrays Mount Vernon's response to the new challenges of the 1979-80 academic year.





Here we illustrate some of the events that show our response to the challenge. This year the basketball team played with great determination. The community enjoyed entertainment in the Pub as well as stimulating "Conversations With" Mattie Ward retired after 37 years of loyal service to the college. This fall 17 students were inducted into the Alpha Chi honor society. And students offered the Dean of Students a challenge by taping her into her office.

Mary Copeland is the magic behind the business office. As Director of Finance and a member of the Mount Vernon administration for fourteen years, she keeps the wheels of business turning for all of us. Whether you're there to cash a check, discuss finances or withdraw funds for your organization, Ms. Copeland is always on hand with the facts and the figures. But you'd better know what you're about if you're talking money. If not, you're in for a bit of the fiery Scot temper delivered in a brogue to delight the average colonial. She's a wonderful lady and a great businesswoman. Thanks, Ms. Copeland.





Jeannette Moore may often seem ready to pull her hair out when students change courses three times in the beginning of a session or one of the faculty committees is in a dispute over a curriculum change, but don't be fooled. Ms. Moore's twenty year dedication to and concern for Mount Vernon and its students has remained constant throughout her career at our college. Always willing to be of help, her marvelous sense of humor has carried many of us through a hard time or a panic situation. Thanks, Ms. Moore!



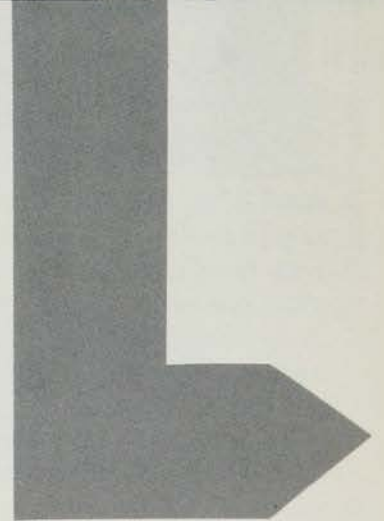


Student life is made up of a wide variety of activities. Barbara Hutchinson, the 1980-81 Student Board Member, enjoys a day in the sun with a book (as do many of us in search of a tan). Walking to class, listening intently to S.G.A. announcements, registering for classes or catching faculty members in a light moment all are a part of the day-to-day life of the Mount Vernon students.





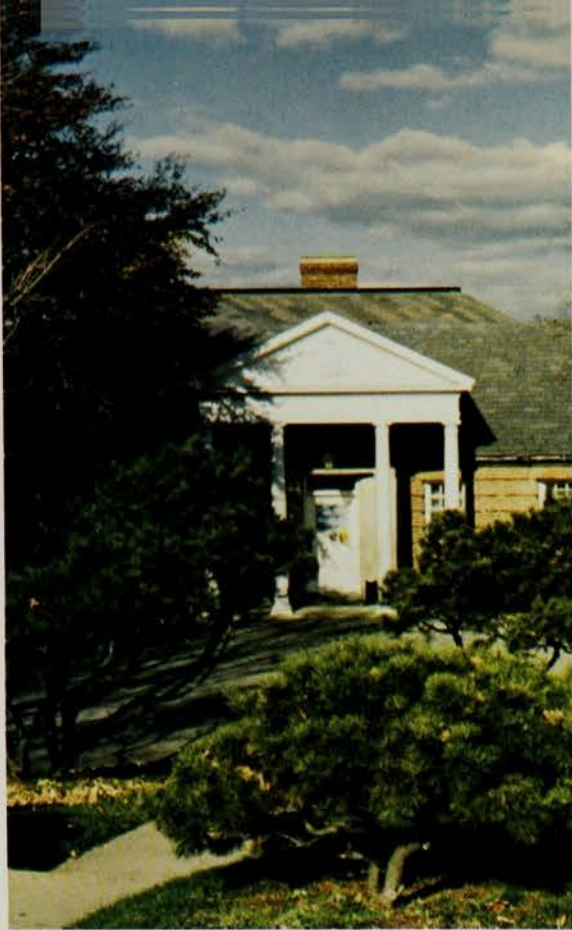
"It is our task to keep alive in young people the courage to dare to seek the truth, to be free, and to establish in them a compelling desire to live greatly and magnanimously, and to give them the knowledge and awareness, the faith and the trained facility to get on with the job. And in the smile of a friend, one can always find the faith."





Among the not-so-easy jobs at Mount Vernon is that of Vice President for Academic Affairs. It is a constantly demanding position requiring a great degree of dedication. Dr. Judith Weiner has proved herself equal to the task. She has shown the qualities necessary in dealing with faculty committees, students, program coordination and administrative liaison. Many a late Saturday or Sunday afternoon finds Dr. Weiner at her desk, pouring over reports, faculty evaluations and just catching up on paperwork in general. As one of the people who work hard to keep Mount Vernon running smoothly, she richly deserves this moment of recognition. Thanks, Dr. Weiner!





"I hear you have a daughter in college. Is she going to become a doctor, an engineer, or a lawyer perhaps?"

"That I do not know," was the slow, wistful answer. "Right now the big question is: Is she going to become a sophomore?"



Whether the destiny of today's youth lies in the halls of government or the small business back home, we must all be concerned with the future because we will all have to spend the rest of our lives there. And we will all hope for a friend to share it with.





Gradually we ease our way into the future, day by day, step by step, meeting one challenge at a time, hoping that those around us find as much happiness in knowing us as we find in knowing them.



At right we find our eminent Board of Directors after a hard day's work and below left, Ann Armstrong, Ambassador to the Court of Saint James, addresses Mount Vernon students and faculty at a "Conversations With . . ."





At top left, Nancy Robbins gives us another great song and at top middle Dr. James Carder holds forth on the subject of Art History with his Study Abroad class in Greece. The group of turbaned individuals to the right are some of Dr. Carder's students on a side trip to Egypt. At left, Coach Jan Hollack discusses the day's tennis with two of her team members as the sun sets on Mount Vernon (above).

Even when we stop for a moment of leisure, a chat over a beer, a good laugh with a good friend, we know we will soon return to the work which awaits us, in competition with ourselves or with others.







The late Rev. Peter Marshall, chaplain of the U.S. Senate, left a rich heritage of sermons and prayers. From one of his Senate prayers comes this excerpt: "Give us clear vision that we may know where to stand and what to stand for – because unless we stand for something, we'll fall for anything."





In Memoriam

Death is a tragedy for anyone, but it seems an even greater loss when death claims someone who has only begun to live. Elisabeth Lobkowitz, otherwise known as Zazie, spent what seemed like a moment with us, and yet, will hold a special place in the hearts of those who knew her. We share in the grief of her family, and offer a small prayer on her behalf.

Dr. Victoria Schuck

In the three years Dr. Victoria Schuck served as President of Mount Vernon College, she spent long hours on all aspects of the operation of the college. Her dedication cannot be argued, and the success she achieved from those long hours is satisfying to the whole community. Dr. Schuck, thank you, for your concern and unending support. We wish you the best.



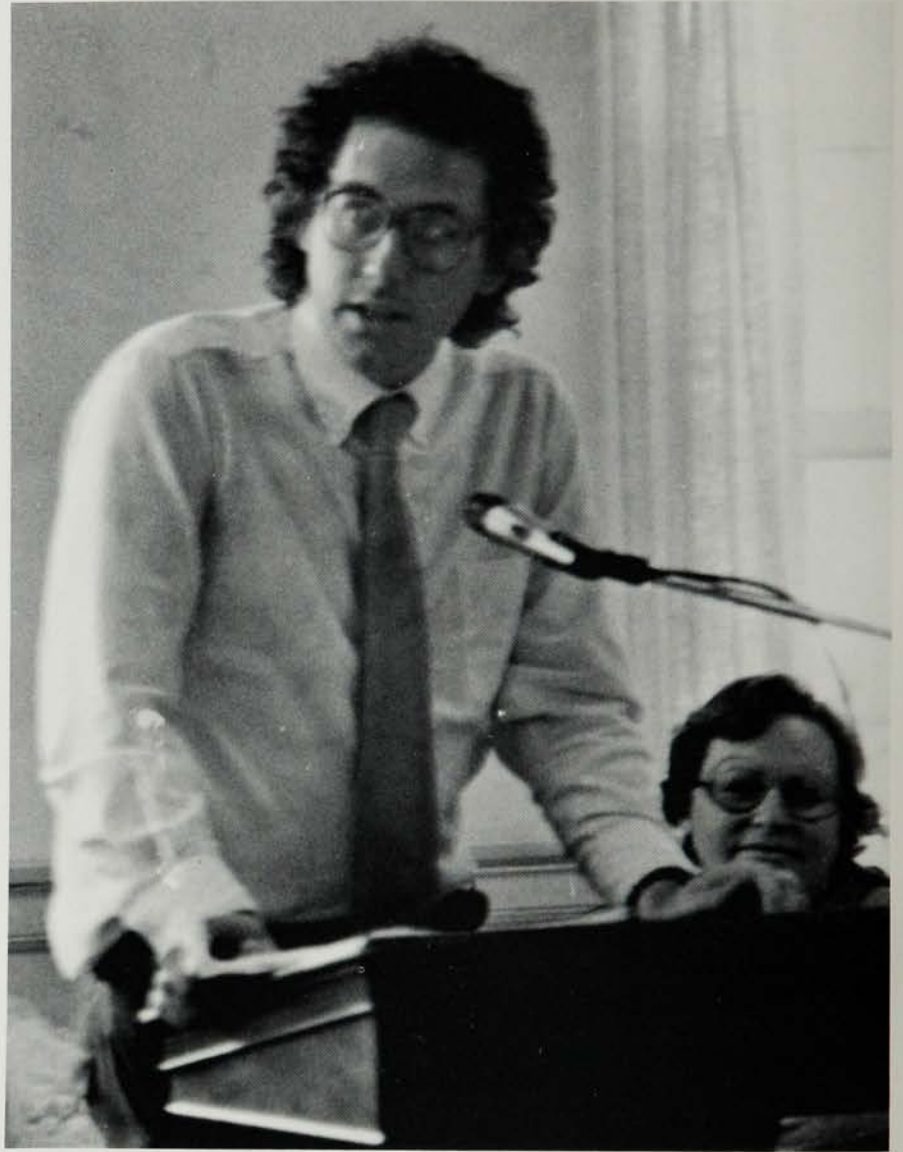
Professor Emily Lampert



Professor Emily Lampert retired this year after many years of loyal service to Mount Vernon. She saw Mount Vernon through many transitions — from a seminary to a two year college, to a four year liberal arts college with six major areas of study. During her years in the community she was overwhelmingly supportive of students, always concerned and interested — and not simply about their attendance in a math or statistics course. She has served faithfully on faculty committees and her input was always valued. Mrs. Lampert we wish you all the best, and know that Mount Vernon, and especially the students, are losing a real friend. Come back and visit — we'll miss you.

Thanks!

Professor Richard Howard



In the last issue of the Front Page for 1980, it was reported that Professor Richard Howard was said to be "gifted, big, clumsy, sexy, wild, artsy, a blast, hysterical, patient, sincere, and active" by students. The article also said that "Richard is a teacher who makes learning more enjoyable." Although he has only been at Mount Vernon for three years, he has endeared himself to many of us. During that time he served on several search committees, was the advisor to the Photography Club and the Beacon Honor Society, and was the Chair of the Academic Policy Committee. His work has been in such magazines as Smithsonian, Time, Life, Look, Saturday Review, Venture, Country Journal, Vermont Life and many, many more. Richard, we can't show the depth of our appreciation with words, our appreciation for the warmth, skill and enthusiasm you exhibited in everything you took part in here at Mount Vernon. Thank you, and we wish you a great deal of success and happiness in the future. We'll miss you.



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the threshold of a dream."*

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*Si una lagrima en tus ojos aparece y un recuerdo a
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el futuro hay que alcanzar.*

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"The influence of women may be considerable in particular nowadays, in the present order or disorder of our society, where we perceive a certain civic lassitude and a spiritual coldness, a kind of decline in moral values, which makes an awakening necessary. To bring about this awakening, the collaboration of women is essential."

— Gogol

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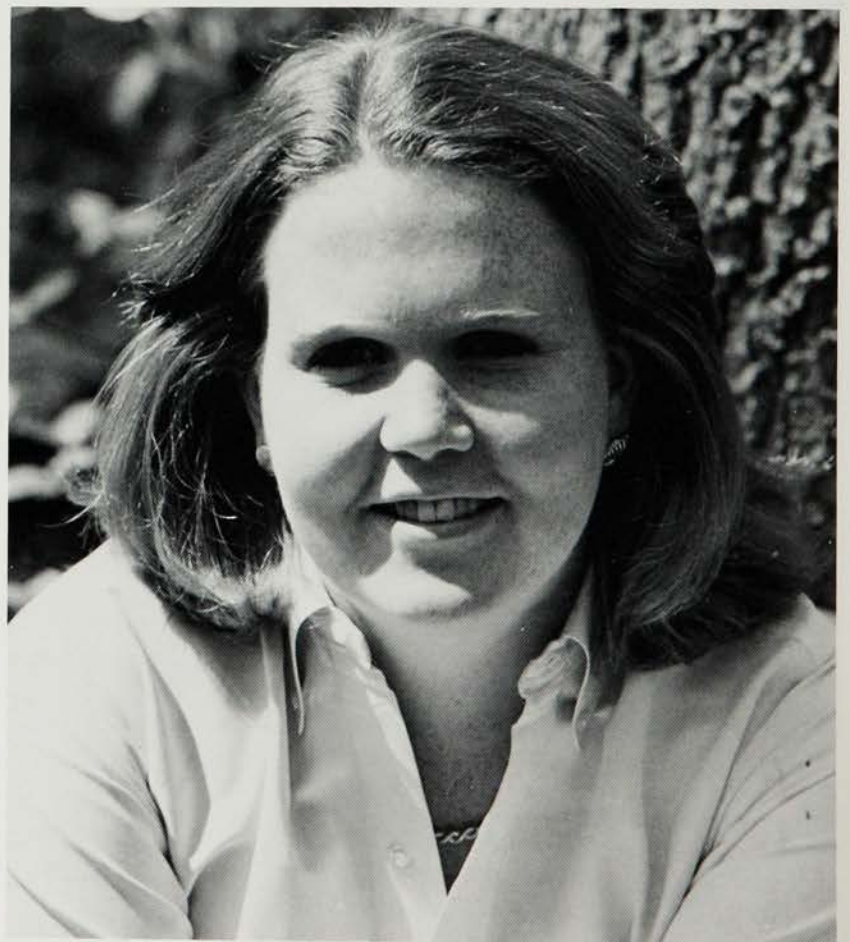
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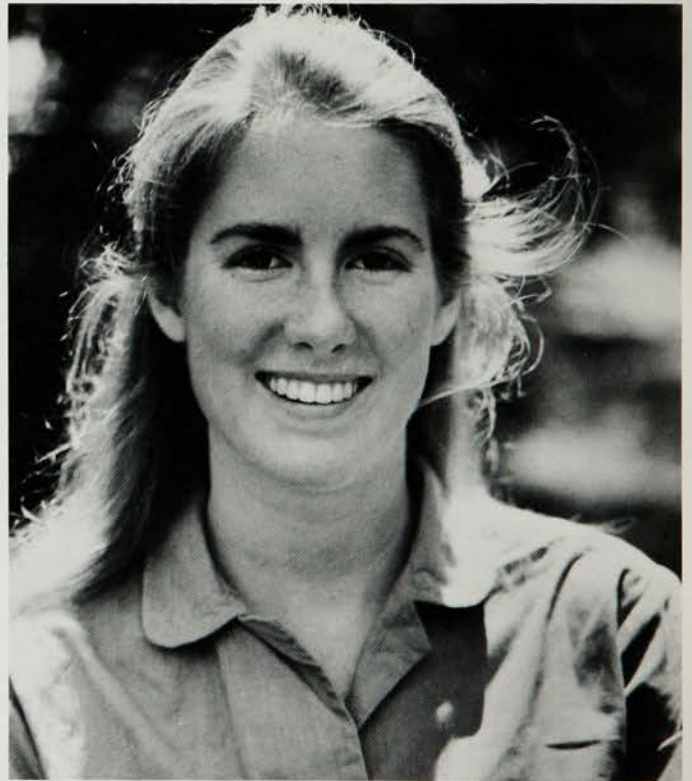
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"Although there is an importance in what we have already accomplished, there is a much greater importance in what we have left to do.

— Anonymous

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*"You got to have friends, the feeling's oh, so strong.
You got to have friends, to make the day last long. I
had some friends, but they're all gone, something came
and took them away. But you got to have friends."*

— Bette Midler



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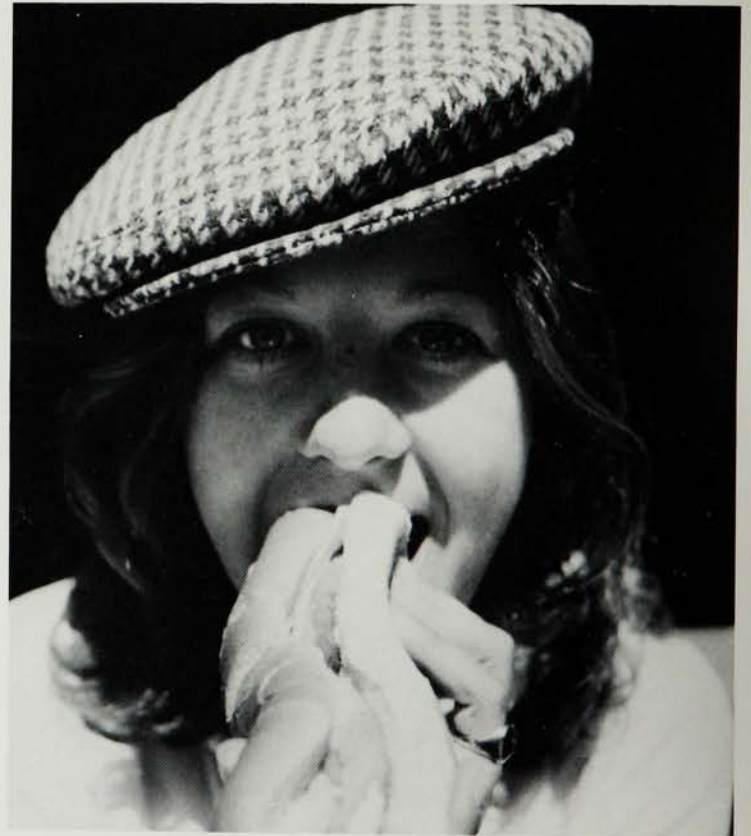


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Mad about the Museums
Crazy about Central Park
Partial to the People
New York is one big beautiful apple
And I'm in love with every slice of it!*



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*We drifted through each day,
content in the security of ourselves
and our friends,
Until . . .
One morning we awoke to find that it
was over, and era of our life had passed.
And all that was left were
scraps and fragmented memories of
places and experiences and
smiling faces . . .
And we wondered why
We never appreciated them more.*



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*We'll make the most, to get the best of both worlds, we must obey the
law – what good's a place to stand up, without a place to fall? Two
and one. Fast and slow, yeah, the best of both worlds. Double fun.
I'd like to now propose a toast to the best of both worlds.*

– Robert Palmer

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*"Get the most out of life and strive to be the best you can –
nothing less!"*

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*We'll have to change our jaded ways,
But I've loved these days
So,
Before we end and then begin,
We'll drink a toast to how it's been.
A few more hours to be complete
A few more times that I can
say,
I've loved these days.*



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*"Just gettin' by's my stock in trade
livin' it day to day
pickin' up the pieces wherever they fall
just lettin' it roll
lettin' the times carry the load
just livin' my life easy come easy go."*

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*We don't have tomorrow,
But we had yesterday.
Wasn't it me who said, nothing good's
gonna last forever?
Wasn't it me who said, let's just be glad
for the time together?*

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There are three things in life which are real: God, human folly and laughter. The first two are beyond our comprehension, so we must do what we can with the third.

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"Those were the days, my friends. We thought they'd never end. We'd sing and dance forever and a day. We'd live the life we choose; We'd fight and never lose, for we were young and sure to have our way. Once upon a time there was a tavern, where we used to raise a glass or two. Think of how we'd wile away the hours, and think of all the good things we would do. Those were the days."

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*the friend of one
to be and stay
in one's heart
through the mind storms
of love and hate
is the dream come true
of love and friendship
for life. — M.S.*

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— A.J. Marshall



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*If I had my life to live over,
I would relax more.
I wouldn't take so many things
so seriously.
I would take more chances.
I would climb more mountains,
and swim more rivers . . .
Next time
I'd start barefooted
earlier in the Spring
and stay that way
later in the Fall.
I wouldn't make such good grades
unless I enjoyed working for them.
I'd go to more dances.
I'd ride on more merry-go-rounds.
I'd pick more daisies.*

— Frank Dickey

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But more opportunities for them to live."*

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A farewell is necessary before you
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And meeting again, after moments
or lifetimes, is certain for those who are friends.*

— Richard Bach

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*When Time, who steals our years away
Shall steal our pleasures too,
The mem'ry of the past will stay,
And half our joys renew.*

— Thomas Moore

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We should seek peace with justice.
You should never lose your hopes . . .
Fight until you get what you want, and
if you do not get it, then at least
you gave it a try.*

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CLARK DORM

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HOUSE RESIDENT:
Ms. Judy Sessions

HENSLEY DORM



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HOUSE RESIDENT: Ms. Linda Girdner



HOUSE RESIDENTS: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meden

COLE DORM



RESIDENTS, INCLUDING
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SOMERS DORM

Unfortunately the negative of Somers and Ames residents was lost in the shuffle. We sincerely apologize and will make it up to the dorms next year.

AMES RESIDENTS: Therese Gerdon, Rina Givant, Peggy Ruckle, Helen Knuckley, Diane Busby, Jane Wilcox, Homie Taslimi, Roxanna Rios, Cheryl Adem, Margaret Varalli, Ellen Green, Nancy Dougenik, Poom Kambhu, Nan Hiltabidle, Ramona Younger, Van Johnson.

SOMERS RESIDENTS: Barbara Jean Martin, Mary Hooker Taylor, Peggy Garrott, Janet Hart, Cece Elliott, Chandler Berryman, Caroline Garnett, Virginia Seibels, Sarah Squyres, Letitia Radford, Elizabeth McCloy, Angele Reyes, Diana Jaramillo, Betty Wilton, Jennifer Taylor, Yvonne Jevtich, Barbara Hutchison, Liz Currin, Mary Muer, Catherine Clarke, Heidi Hoff, Susan Stinson, Emily Helzberg, Joanne Janik, Caron Bederman, Isabel Benitez, Amy O'Connor, Alexa Scott, Katherine Troutman, Missy Mayer, Peggy Rose, Jane Sherrill, Donna Carson, Susan Rammel, Kathy Darmanin, Claire Smithers, Anne Jones, Claire Jones, Rebecca Rhoads, Peggy Probst, Donna Taylor, Charlotte Grier, Anita Affan, Elizabeth Fowler, Mallory Morris, Adrianne Agar, J. Bridgeman, C. Mengden, Alyson Owler, Nancy Swenson, Nancy Robbins, Kathy Hampton, Mary Helen Sullivan, Carolyn Connell, Wynter Byrd, C. Ruane, Elizabeth Brown, Ellen Cahill, Azita Dastgheib, Kati Ansari, Leslie Braun, Nazi Ansari, Aida Delgado, Alexa Georges, Mary LeMacks, Tracy Nelson, Claire Templeton, Allison Cohen.

HOUSE RESIDENTS: Somers, Mr. and Mrs. Robin Felder and Ames, Dr. and Mrs. Peter Greco.

PELHAM DORM — EAST AND WEST



RESIDENTS, INCLUDING THOSE NOT PICTURED:

EAST: Debbie Hammerstroem, Jennifer Stewart, Basma Al Sharif, Merfat Madi, Leslie Tompkins, Laura White, Zeena Beydoun, Julie Rodgers, Iliana Ornes, Miriam Contreras, Lee McDaniels, Janie Walker, Lauren Venuto, Beth Nichols, Zoe Rickman, Sheila Beauperthuy, Julie Baker, Ana Cutillas, Susan Squier, K. Norton, Mary Taylor, Susan Jacoby, Amy Baker, Debbie Gama, Margaret McBee, Leslie Wildprett, Gail Newman, Elizabeth Detwiler, Carol Landau, Teresa Reyes, Ann Goodwin, Flo Brizer, Patrice Mulderrig, Phyllis Harrison, Gay Bracken, Polly Tompkins, Bizzy Matthews, Katie Kittle, Sadie Chapman, Toonie Casey, Alma Gsell, Ann Varalli, Beth Murray, Sonya Larrea.

WEST: Vicky Lawford, Mary Turner, Mary Jackson Dodge, Alexa Homann von Herimberg, Amy Wattenberg, Heather Semple, Lisa Policano, Kyle Roberts, Mimi Fotopoulos, Harsha Dodhia, Douglass Wales, Patricia Siske, Mary McBee, Meredith Harris, Rosie Gurdian, Heidi Reynolds, Kathy Taylor, Pam Oliver, Kathy Wilson, Arden Shutt, Huda Kitmitto, Sanchaya Sumawong, Carrie Christian, Sharron O'Neill, Robin Crabb, Karlo Lacayo, Lisa Krohn, Poranee Kambhu, Jessica Rosenblatt, Katie Lamb, Jody Clap, Susan Selnick, Vanessa Wilson, Lynne Hughes, Lea Hart, Wendy Evans, Nina Topper, Jeanne Benoit, Judy Mingey.

HOUSE RESIDENTS: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mannle and Mr. and Mrs. Micheal Calhoun

Bits and Pieces of Dorm and Student Life

Student life is made up of so many activities and functions. Sharing a television show, an afternoon on the quad or a beer in the Pub all combine to promote the warm community spirit of Mount Vernon.





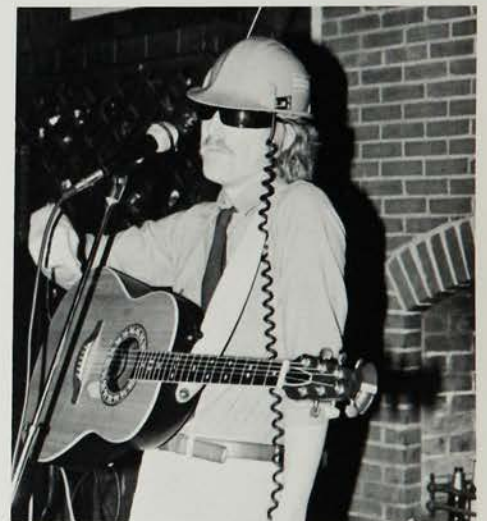
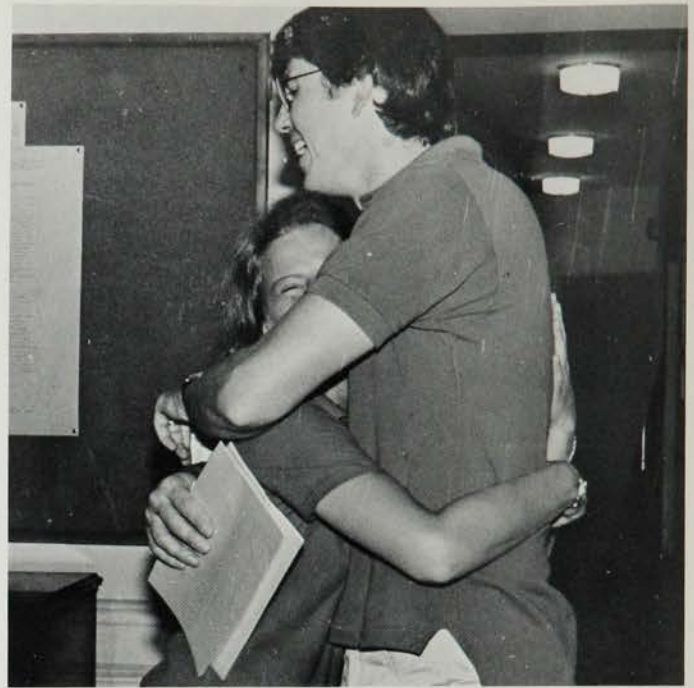
Here We Go . . .



... Into Another Year

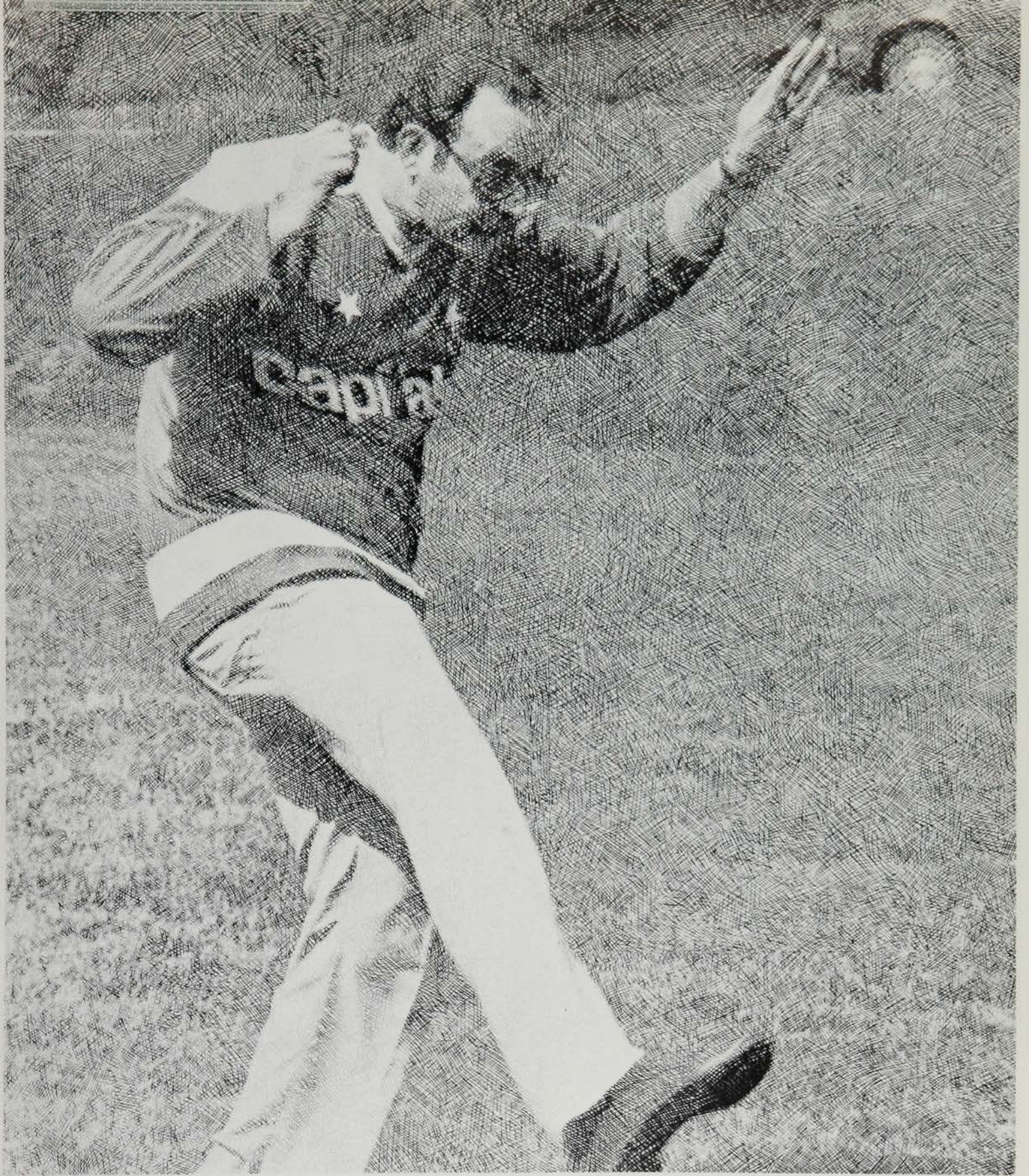


Another year begins in a flutter of activities that are followed by many, many more. Students register for clubs, and say hello to friends they have not seen all summer. Making new friends is also an integral part of a new year — which continues through beyond the end of any specific year.



Pub entertainment, such as singer and guitarist Chip Franklin and comedian Steve Hudson were important parts of the opening of the 1980-81 academic year. Seeing old friends is also always pleasant as we catch up on each other's lives.





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Asst. Prof., Bus. Admin.



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Assoc. Prof., English



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Asst. Prof., Phys. Ed.



Mrs. Behnaz Quigley
Asst. Prof., Bus. Admin.



Mrs. Jacqueline Buhrman
Adjunct Prof., French



Dr. James Hull
Asst. Prof., English



Guiseppe Forgione
Professor, Bus. Admin.



Mr. James Burford
Asst. Prof., Studio Art



Dr. Francine Malder
Asst. Prof., English

Somehow, one of our photographers missed Mrs. Buhrman, but we managed to get a smile out of her at commencement at top center.

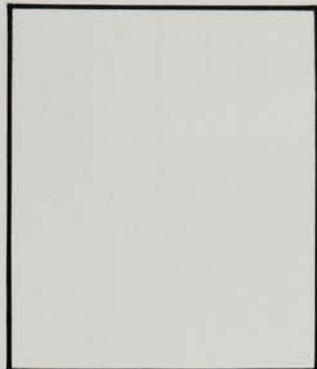


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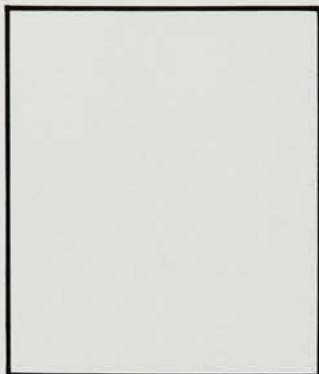


Where was Dianne Mathewson or where was our photographer? Whatever the case, we don't have a picture but she has our sincere apologies.

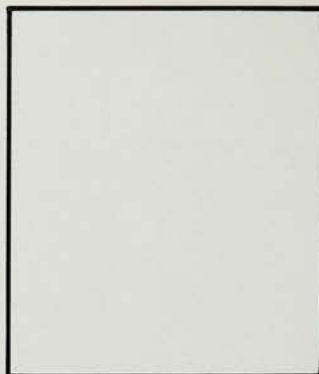
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Mrs. Jane Highsaw
Prof., Political Science



Dr. Margaret Lerche
Prof., Political Science



Dr. Hanita Blumfield
Prof., Sociology/Anthro.



Dr. Elinor Hartshorn
Dir., Washington Institute

Please note Preofessor Meden in candid photo at top right. We did miss Dr. Lamm so run down to the Interior Design studio and look at her. When you see her, tell her not to be too miffed at us, please!

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Although we didn't manage to get one of those great mug shots of Erlene Bishop, and we do apologize, we caught her in the candid at left. Actually, she may thank us for it.

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Dr. Judith Weiner
V.P., Academic Affairs



Dr. Martha Firestine
Asst. V.P. for Instruction



Judy Sparrow
Asst. to V.P.



I'dafney Boykins
Faculty Secretary



Much to our dismay, we found ourselves without pictures of one of our longtime yearbook supporters, Senorita Carroll, and a newcomer this year, Linda Sterner. But, after all, who's perfect?



The Admissions Office



Elaine Liles
Dir. of Admissions



Darion Carney
Assoc. Dir. of Admissions



Stephanie Glakas
Admissions Counselor

Although our new Director of Admissions, Elaine Liles is not pictured in the regular rogues gallery at left, we did obtain a candid, above left. Next year we'll do better.



Mary Beth McCormick
Asst. to Director



Ann Venie
Coord. of Admis. Activities



Libby Fonseca
Financial Aid Officer

And In the Administrative Center



Dr. Victoria Schuck
President



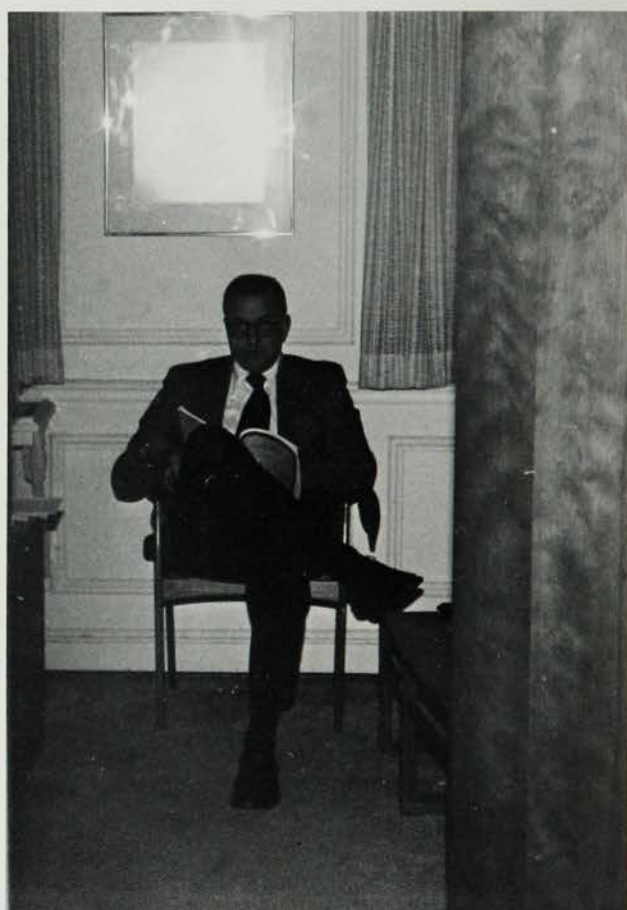
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Mr. Donald Bain
Business Manager



Ms. Kathleen Power
Director, Pub. Relations



Ms. Lola Clausius
Secretary/Recep.



Ms. Madelaine Estabrook
Sec. to Dir. of Develop.



Ms. Gillian Austin
Asst. to President

The Office of Student Affairs



Dr. Mary Ryan
Dean of Students



Charlotte Resnick
Asst. to the Dean



Dana Whitaker
Coord./Student Activities



We seem to lose track of people sometimes and this is one of those times. We are missing pictures of Beverly Stennett, our Coordinator of Career Planning, and Lee Borlick, our school nurse. We're not sure whether they or their pictures got lost in the shuffle. But one way or another, we'll make up for it next year.

Business Office and Registrar



Jeanette Moore
Registrar



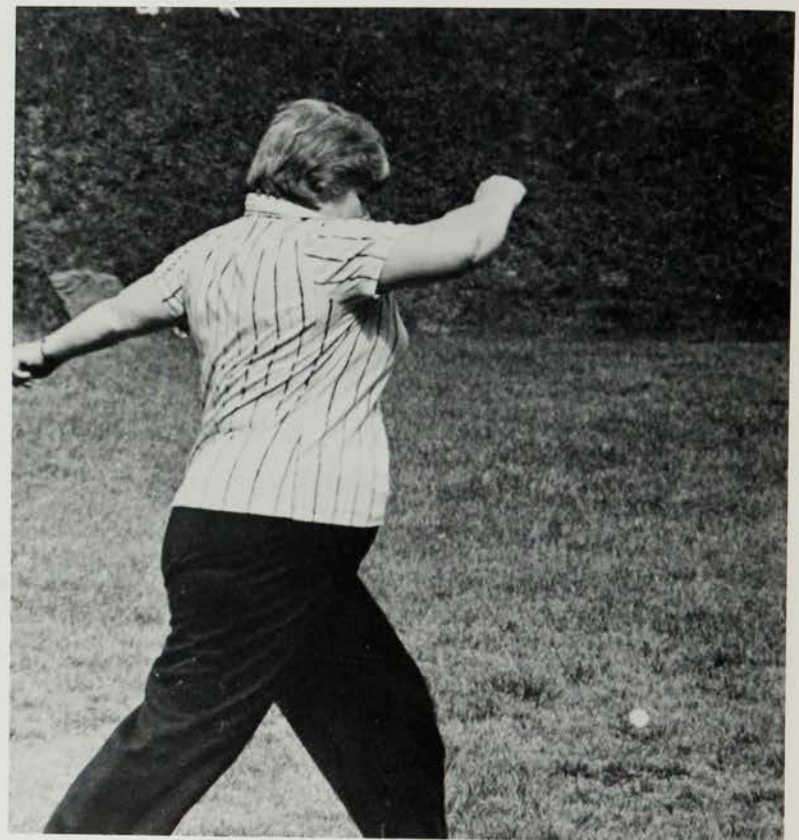
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Asst. Registrar



Mary Ellen Gannon
Secretary



Nancy McDonough
Secretary



Mary Copeland
Director of Finance



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The Alumnae Office



Lynn Novelli
Alumnae Director



Eleanore Knapp
Asst. to Alum. Director

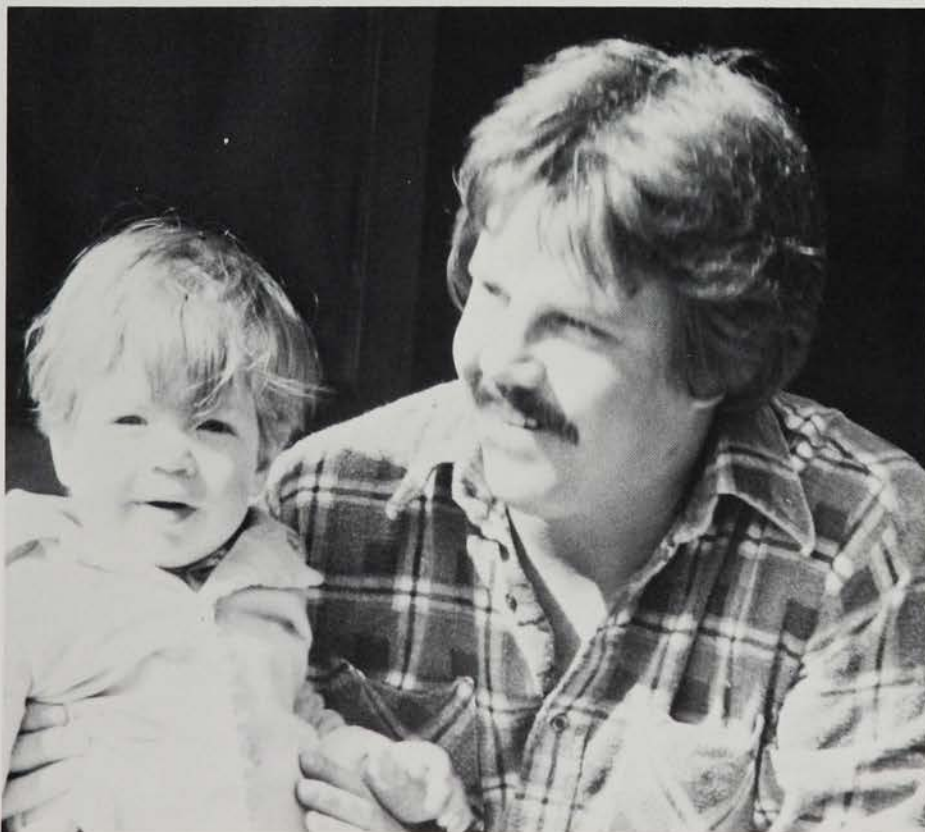
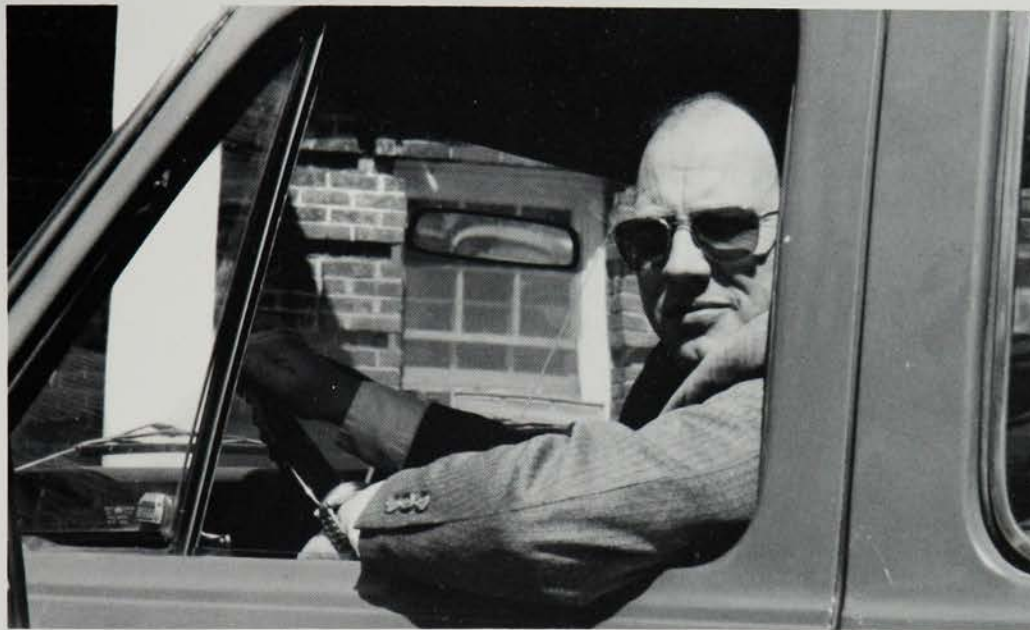


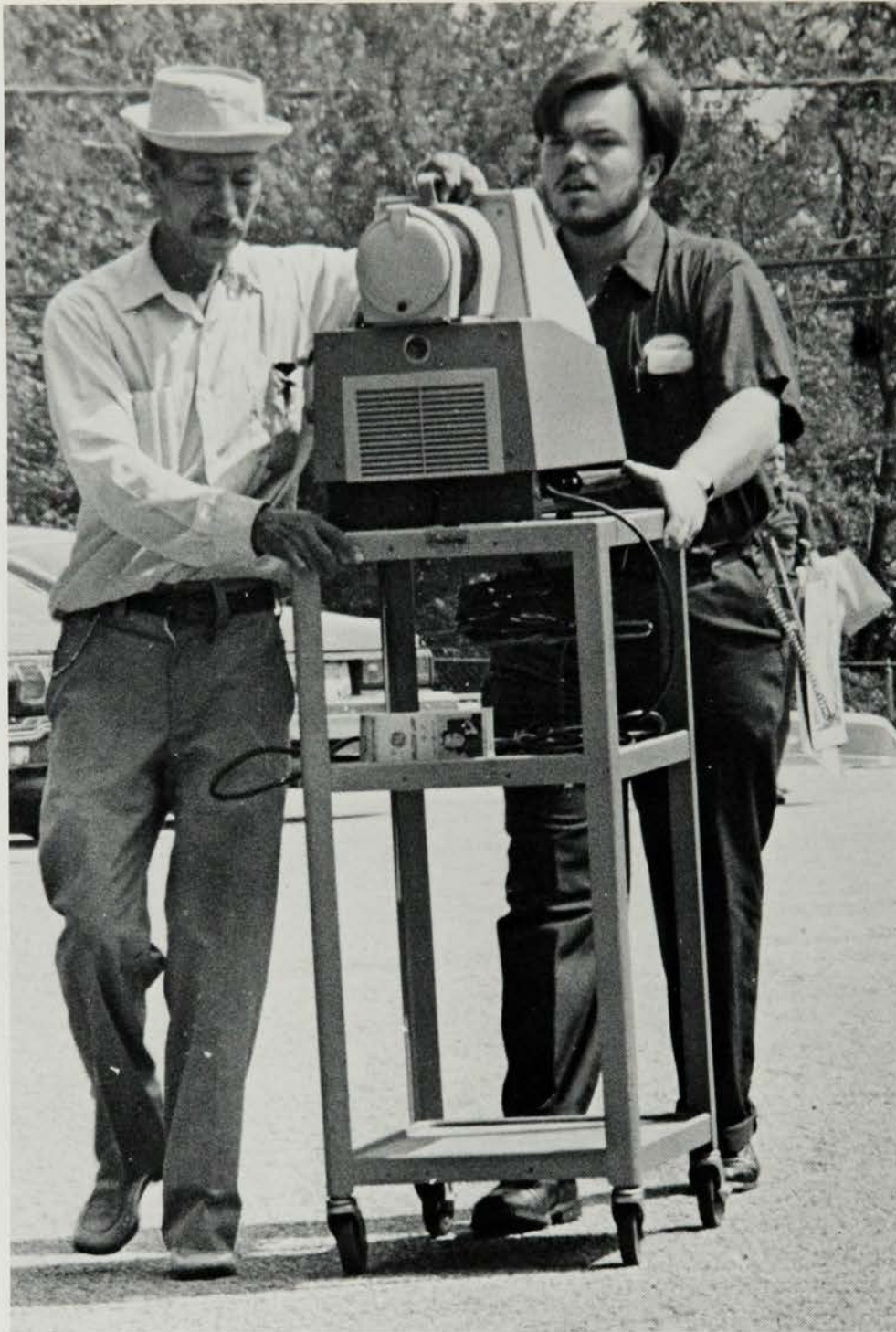
Jean Newins
Sec. to Alum. Director



The Candid Side of the Faculty







Dear Maintenance and Kitchen Staff:

We made an inexcusable error this year. Because of a failure in communication the persons responsible for your photographs failed to make arrangements to take them. We especially regret this because we and the entire Mount Vernon community are well aware of the invaluable services you perform here. We promise to try and make it up to you next year. But in the meantime, thanks for everything.



1980 AWARDS

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B.A. Award in Public Affairs and Government
George W. Lloyd Government Award
George W. Lloyd History Award

Margaret Acheson Stuart Science Award
Olwen Lloyd Mathematics Award
Florence Birch McElroy French Award
Martin H. Heflin Award for
Excellence in Creative Writing
Business Administration Awards

Childhood Education and Human
Development Awards
Communications Awards

Photography Award
Interior Design Awards

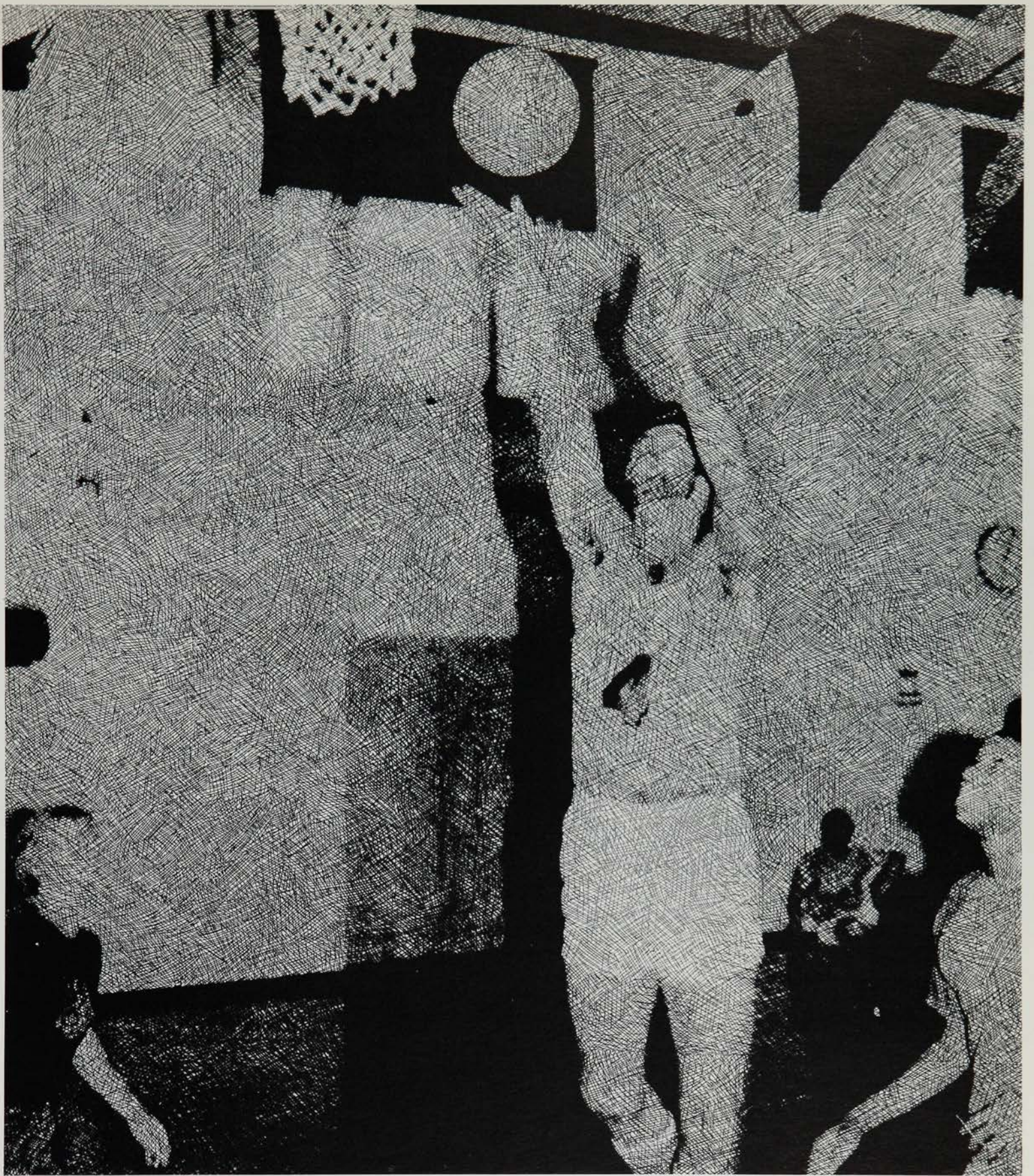
Theatre Awards
Citizenship Awards

President's Prose Award

Alumna Worthy Citizenship Award
Chrissie McCutchen Character Excellence Award
Flora Bridges Harper Fellowship Award

Lynne Hughes
Sonya Larrea
Mary Anne Bennett
Lorri Freedman
Mary Hooker Taylor
Houra Rais
Narsis Bozoerg Ebrahimi

Mary Hooker Taylor
Isolda Arguello, Pamela Keen,
Barbara Tannenbaum, Bizzy Matthews
Patricia Siske, Christina Kelley
Claire Jones
Alma Gsell, Debra Hammerstroem,
Mary Turner
Elizabeth Lobkowicz
Marcia Teitgen, Liz Currin,
Mimi Stickley
Marilys Ernst, Lea Hart
Catherine Clarke, Toonie Casey,
Kathleen Dumais, Nancy Robbins,
Brooke Rosenblatt, Barbara
Tannenbaum
Nancy Skinner, Mary Hooker
Taylor
Kathleen Dumais
Marietta Muer
Ann Morton Casey



SPORTS

Soccer's First Season at M.V.C.





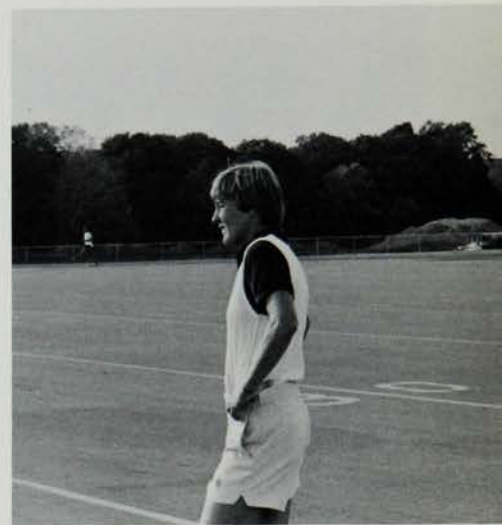
This year soccer came to Mount Vernon thanks to faculty coach Bob Meden. The team was made up of students and staff and proved enjoyable for all.



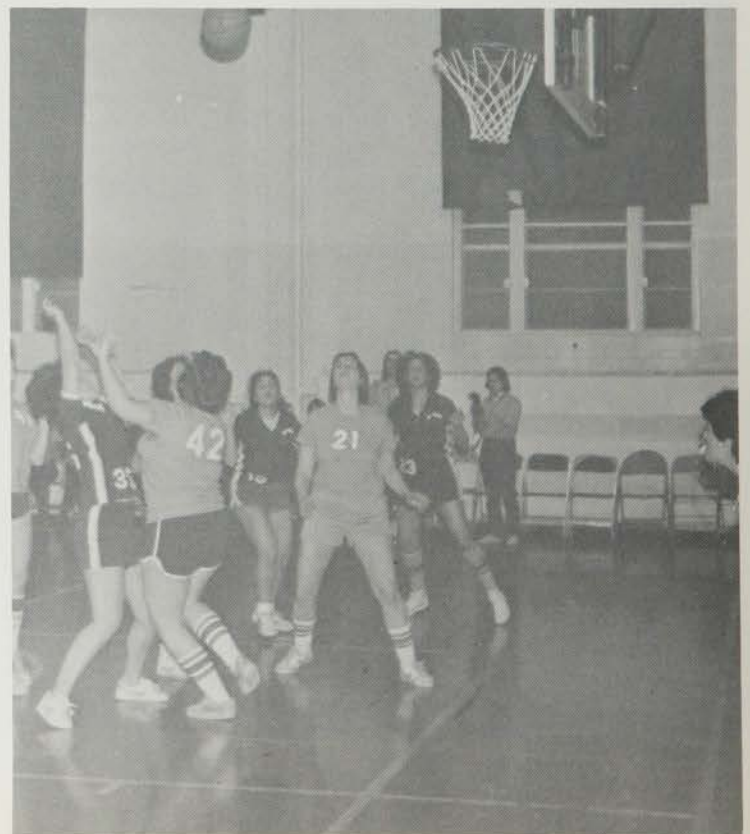
1979-80 Field Hockey Awards
Liz Currin, Susan Rammel



Another Successful Season of Field Hockey



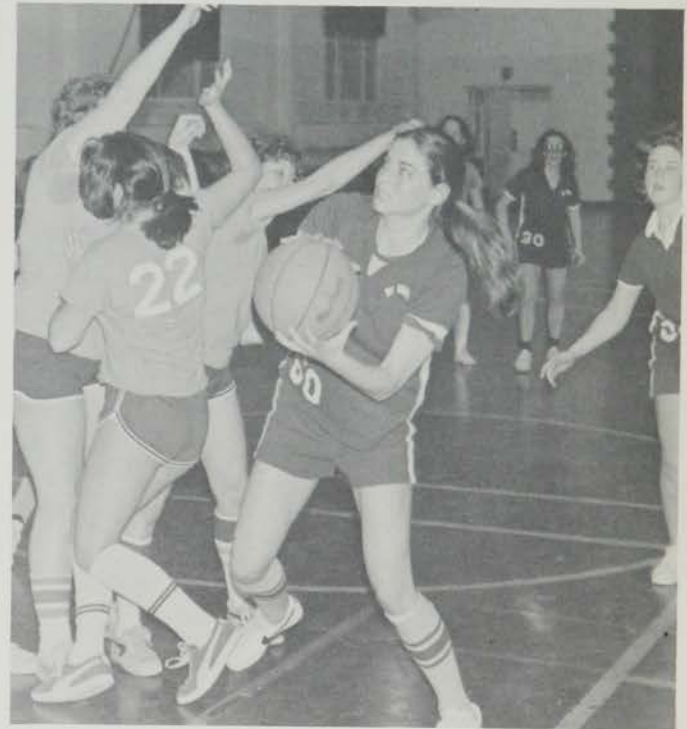
Basketball Team on It's Way Up





Although it wasn't a winning season for the Mount Vernon basketball team, the team showed more determination than ever. The team proved to be cohesive through the demanding schedule of more games than any other season in Mount Vernon history. Coach Bob Meden worked the team hard, but also kept spirits high. Next year's team will wipe all opponents off the courts.

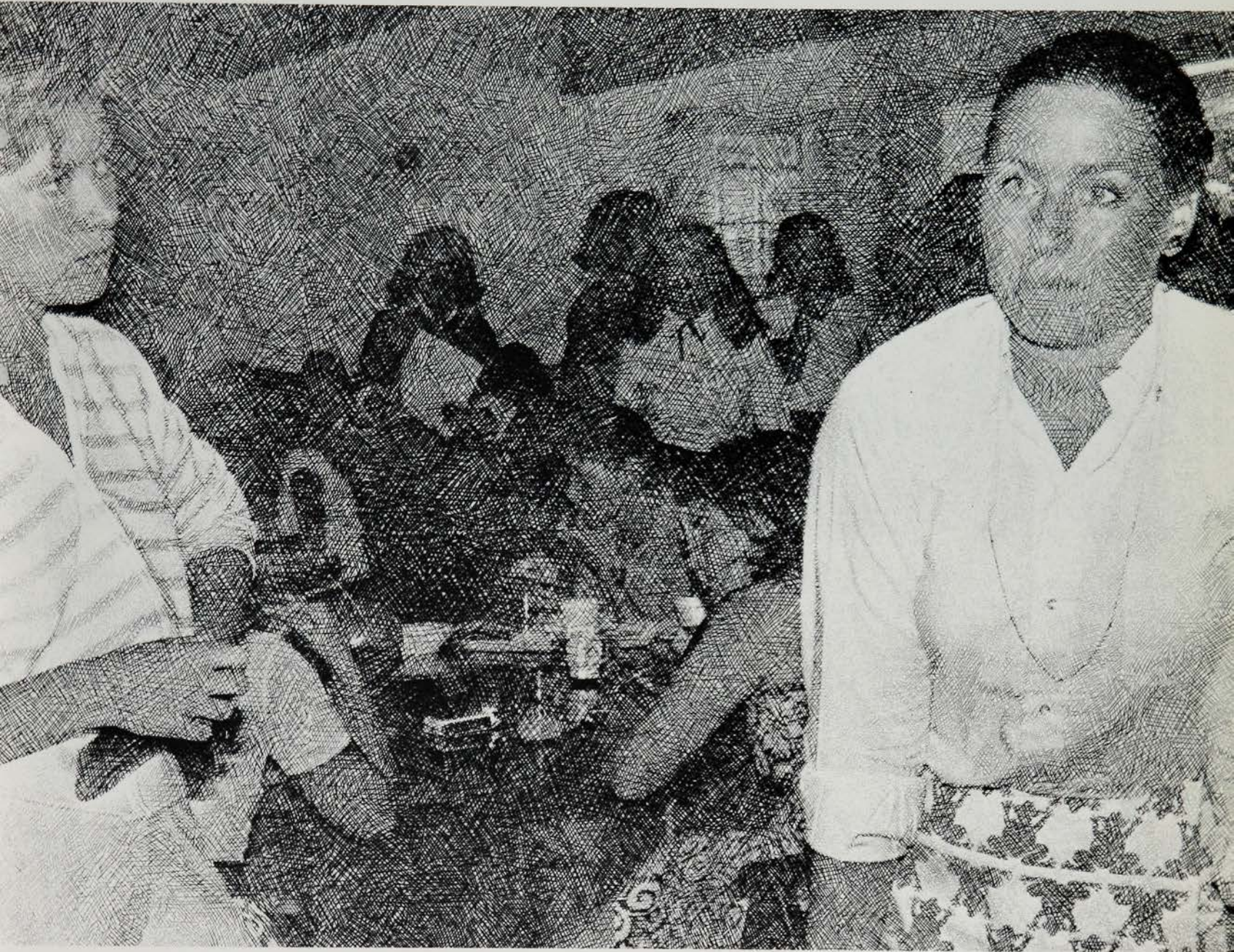
1979-80 Basketball Award
Wynter Byrd



Tennis Season Again Ends In Victory



1980 Tennis Award
Jeanne Benoit



ORGANIZATIONS

Student Government Association



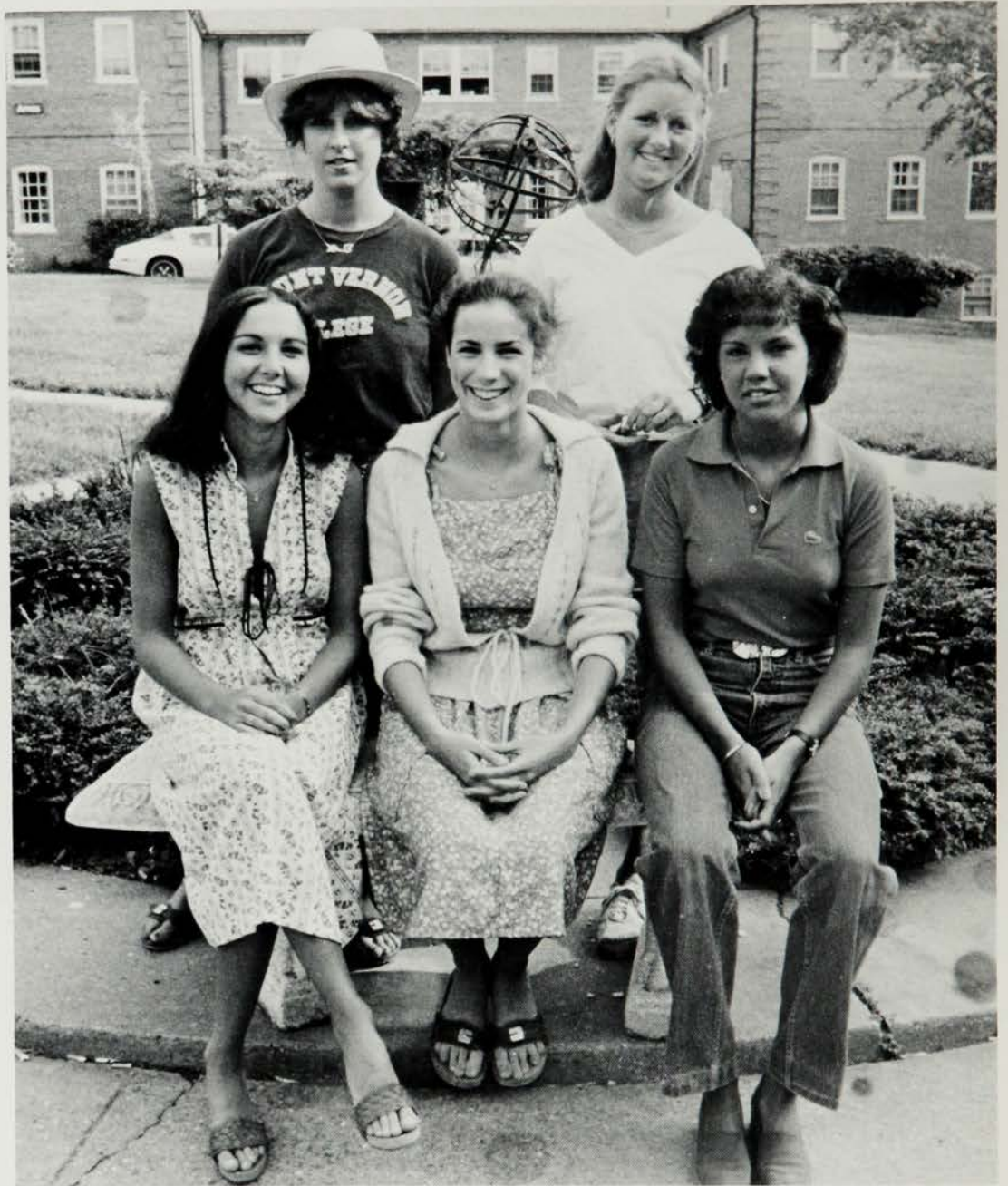
Standing (l to r): Joan Griffith, Tracy Smith, B-Beth Weldon, Nancy Robbins, Allison Cohen, Katie Kittle, Kathy Hampton, Karen Huelbig, Wendy Slingluff. Seated (l to r): Nadine Keller, Mary LeMacks, Barbara Tannenbaum, Helen Knuckley.

Social League



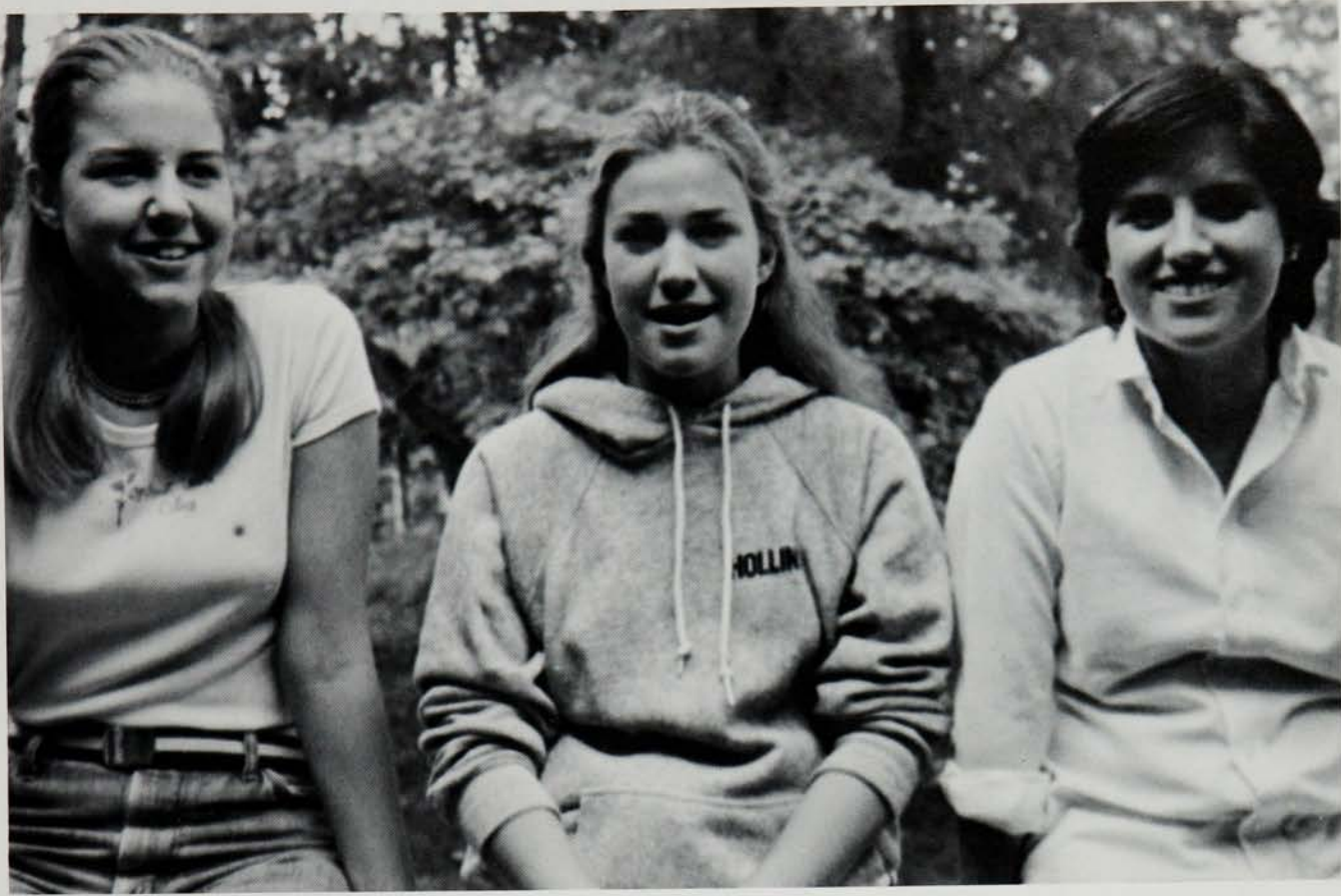
Standing (l to r): Katherine Troutman, Robin Crabb, Unidentified, Carol Landau. Seated (l to r): Kathy Darmanin, Katie Kittle, Florence Bickel, Patricia Wildhack.

Judicial Board



Standing (l to r): Alexa Georges, Mary Taylor, Seated (l to r): Debbie Gama, Anne Willard, Lori Gama

Programming



(l to r): Tracy Bitter, Unidentified, Julie Nuthman

The Beacon Honor Society



Back Row (l to r): Annette LaFortune, Toonie Casey, Martha Zogaib, Barbara Tannenbaum, Front Row (l to r): Liz Currin, Kathleen Dumais, Missy Mayer.

The International Club



Although we could not obtain a group shot of the International Club, we do have some great pictures of one of their fun-filled functions on this and the following two pages.

The International Club



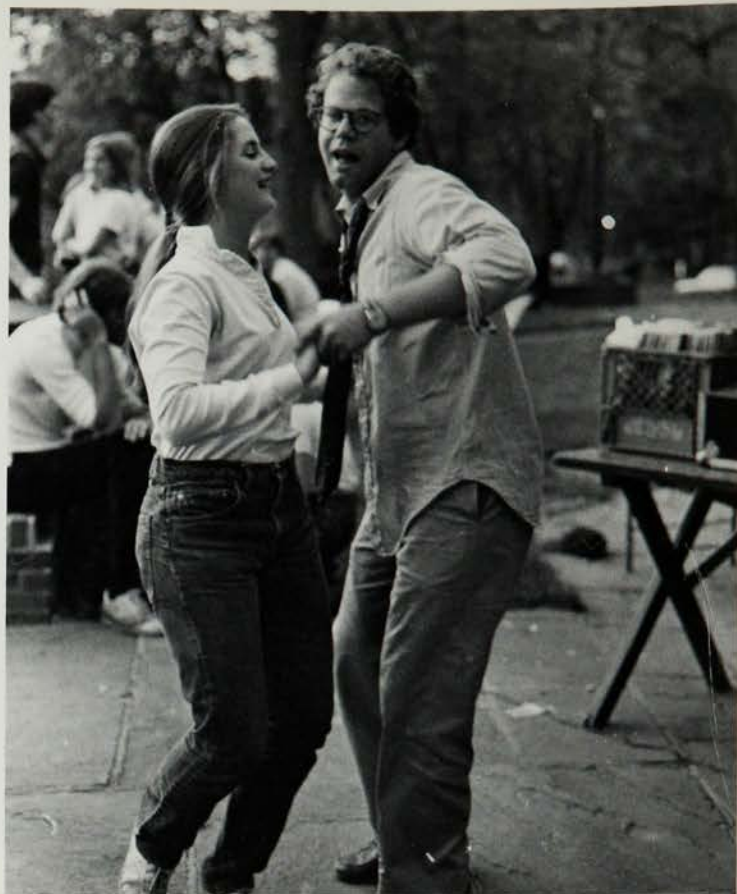
International Club is known as one of the most unified and active groups on campus. They also give some of the best parties — pictured on these pages. Their success is due, according to many, to the efforts of International Club President, Dalal Al-Homaizi, pictured above.

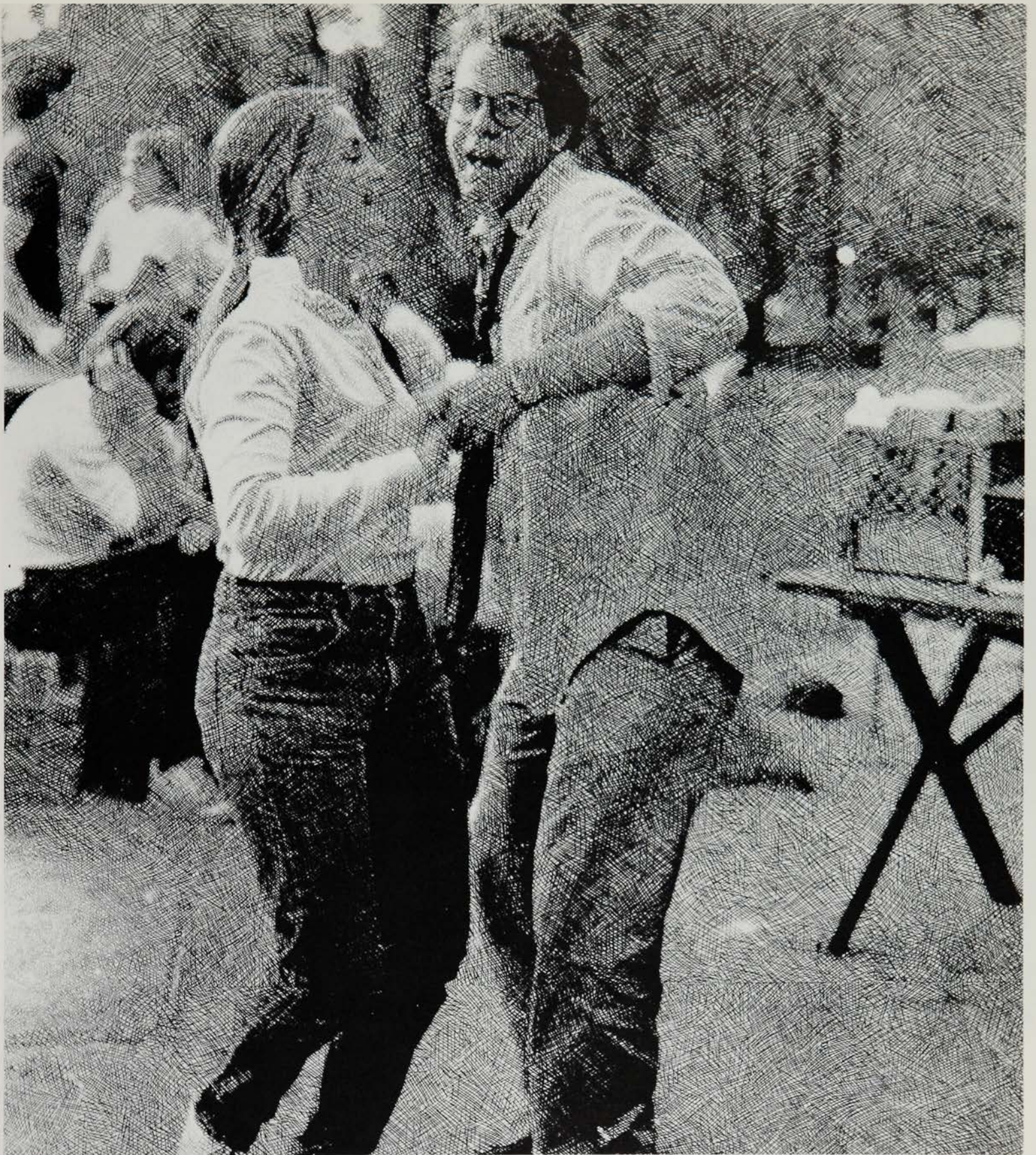


Dance, Danser, Bailar?



The student organizations are the life blood of the Mount Vernon campus. The social and cultural functions planned by the various clubs keep us all busy and active, making for a very healthy college community. Thanks! to all those special people who put in the time it takes to plan and organize all the special events that will remain in all of our memories.





ACTIVITIES

Every year terror stricken freshmen are herded into the gym with only a vague idea of what lies ahead. And each year they emerge a little wiser, not so terror-stricken, and a little closer to each other. As a matter of fact, this year's freshmen look like they're having a pretty good time. The theme was borrowed from Saturday Night Live but it was a good rendition, Mount Vernon style. The vote was close but the Upperclassmen decided to pass freshmen Varieties once again.



Live From Mount Vernon . . . It's Varieties!

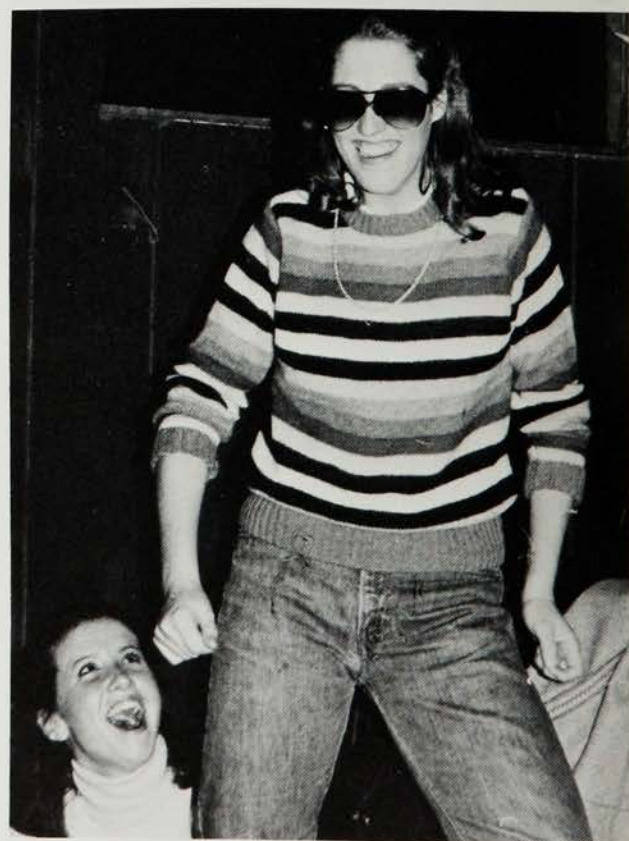




Kathleen Dumais, (seen receiving flowers from the freshmen below). Brooke Rosenblatt, and Alison Cohen (bottom right) were among the S.G.A. advisers who helped the freshmen through their long night in the gym.



PARTYING . . .





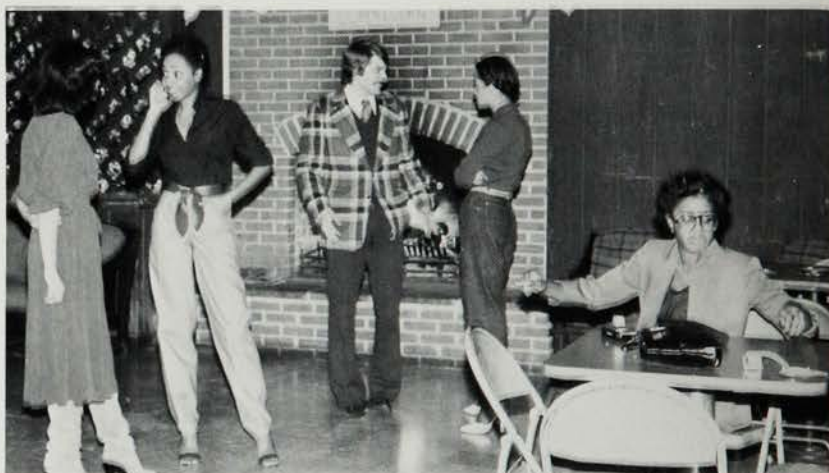
IN THE PUB



The Pub is the scene of many events and activities here at Mount Vernon. Pictured below are just a few of them. It has hosted College Weekend students and their parents, as well as providing facilities for club gatherings such as the Black Student Alliance and the Programming Committee. PUB manager, Jeff Cramer, has worked long and hard this year to plan special activities, instituting such Happy Hour specials as "Beat the Clock," a sure boost to patronage. We look forward to increased use of the Pub as a campus center in the coming years.



The One and Only Mount Vernon PUB



HALLOWEEN: or, who was that razor blade I saw you with last night?



If you've ever wondered about our sanity, a visit to our Halloween party would only confirm those doubts. Craziness is de rigueur at such functions and everyone complied with enthusiasm. But a razor blade? Really, Kittle!





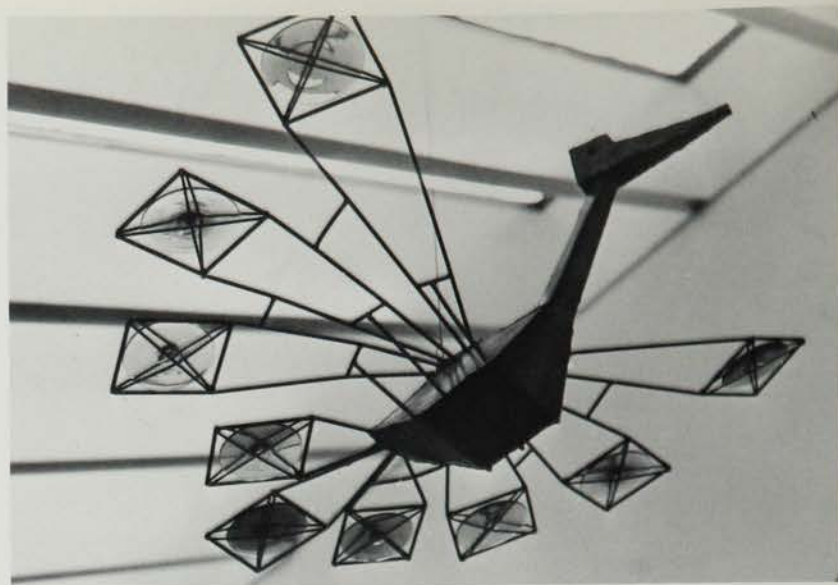
"Conversations With . . ."



"Conversations With . . ." is a program founded by departing President Victoria Schuck, pictured just below. These programs brought Washington to Mount Vernon via discussions with Senators, Congresspersons, business leaders, authors, and diplomats. Students were able to participate in direct discussions and ask as many questions as possible.



This year, the gatehouse gallery was the site of several art show openings. Both students and professional art and photography were featured with musical entertainment provided by blues legend, Sunnyland Slim. Also pictured below are some original metal sculptures by ceramics Instructor, Slaithong Schmutzhart.



Gatehouse Gallery Openings — Art, Photography and Sunnyland Slim





A Very Important Event: Special Olympics

This year Mount Vernon was the scene of hectic activity as youngsters competing in the Special Olympics put in hard hours of practice in the gym and on the field. Members of the Washington Redskins football team were on hand at one point to cheer them on. We hope to see continued and increasing support of these events which give handicapped young people a chance to experience the thrill of victory.



Dr. Schuck's Reception

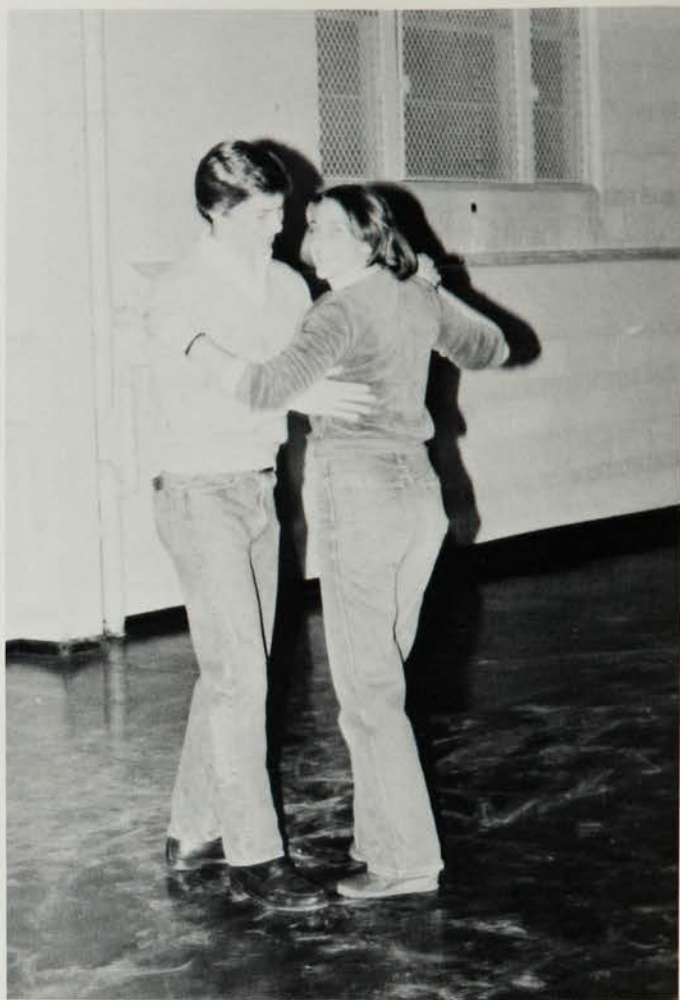


Dr. Victoria Schuck served as Mount Vernon's president for three years and was rightfully honored at a reception. Several faculty members and students toasted her success in our community and wished her the best in the future.



Eat, Drink and Be Merry . . . in the Gym

For those extra large gatherings, Lloyd Hall (more commonly referred to as the gym) comes alive with the sound of music and revelry. But look out for the slippery spots or be accused of creating an entirely new dance in the seated position.





A Fond Farewell to MATTIE . . .



After thirty-six years of loyal and devoted service to Mount Vernon College, Mattie Ward retired this fall. Mattie has been a familiar, friendly face to over three decades of Mount Vernon graduates, in the dorms, the cafeteria and the gatehouse. We are all sorry to see her go and we hope she'll be dropping by to visit her old friends. Thanks for everything, Mattie.



This year we also bid goodbye to our beloved Director of Admissions and Pelham House Resident, Jennifer Hantho. Her sparkling wit and sense of camaraderie will be sorely missed in the corridors of the administration building. With instant coffee always at hand for the desperate, she could always make time for a quick chat or a heart-to-heart talk. As Director of Admissions, her friendly, open manner often clinched the decision for prospective students considering application to Mount Vernon. As one former Admissions Office staffer once put it, "I always felt I worked *with* Jennifer, never *under* her." It is no wonder that we will all miss her. Thank you, Jennifer.

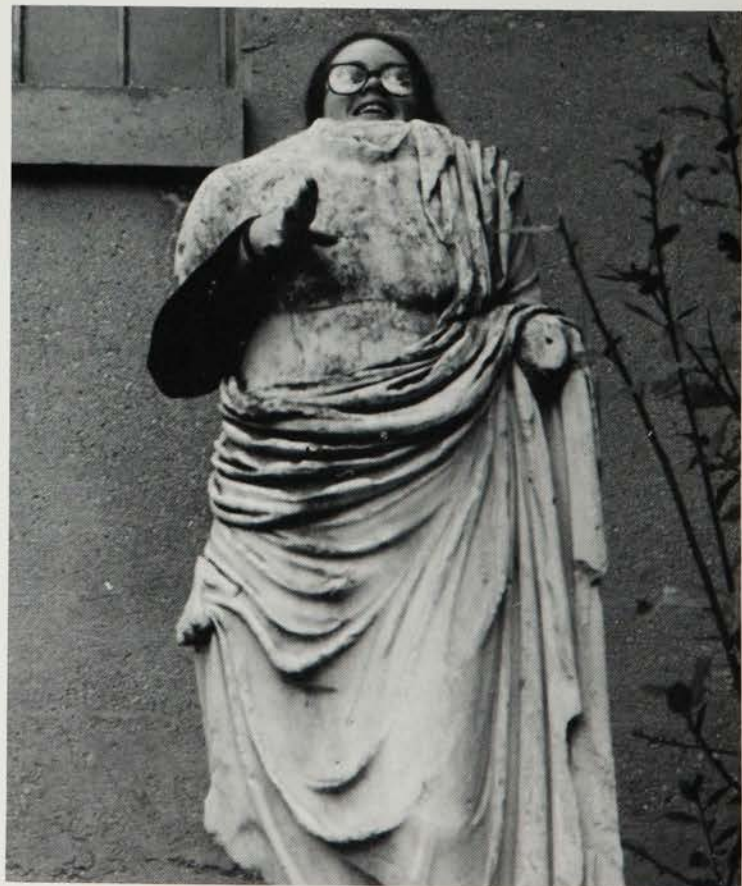
. . . and to JENNIFER



Art History Study Abroad In Greece



Dr. James Carder led a group of students through Greece to study Art History in February 1980.

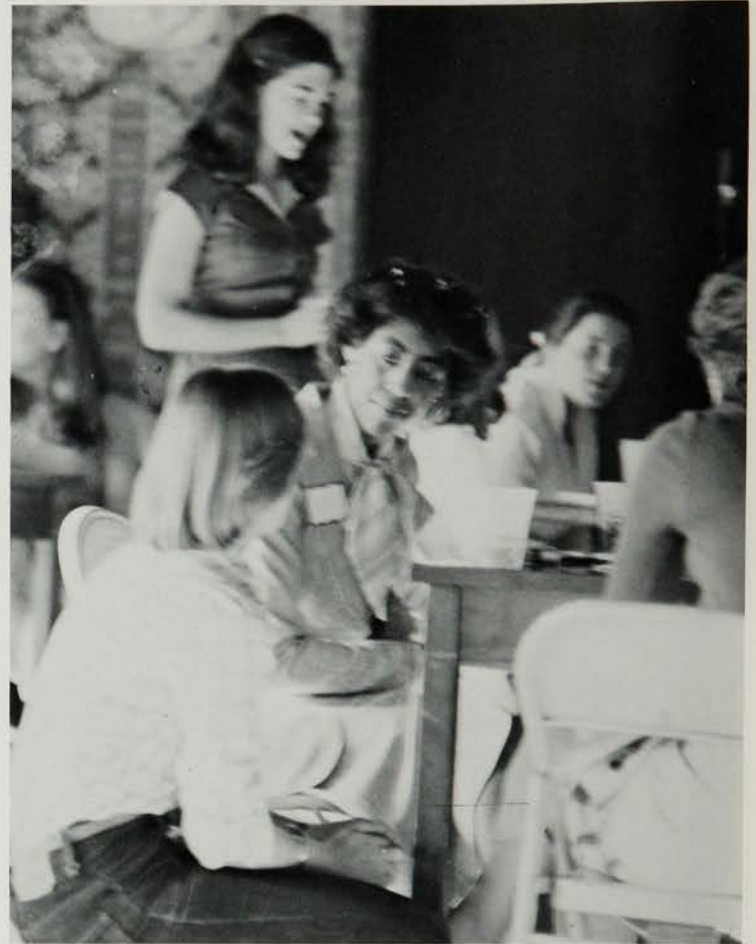


The 105th Founders' Day



Once more, the Mount Vernon community celebrated the anniversary of its founding. 1980 marks the 105th year of Mount Vernon college and the beginning of a new decade which will see our college grow and prosper.

College Weekends Welcome All



College Weekends give prospective students a chance to see Mount Vernon up close. They stay overnight with student hostesses and participate in a variety of activities and programs during their stay.



Alpha Chi Honor Society and Beacon Installations



Members of the Alpha Chi Honor Society (Seniors): Nazi Ansari, Shannon Chapman, Liz Currin, Kathleen Dumais, Lynne Hughes, Lee Rickman, Ana Salaverria, Rebecca Seely, Homeyra Taslimi, Marcia Teitgen, Elaine Wheatley. (Juniors): Antonia Elmore, Sonya Larrea, Imbuwa Mumeka, Miriam Possenti, Patricia Sessa, Susan Selnick.

Members of the Beacon Society: Toonie Casey, Shannon Chapman, Liz Currin, Kathleen Dumais, Lynne Hughes, Annette LaFortune, Melissa Mimi Stickley, Barbara Tannenbaum, Martha Zogaib.



Pictured here are the installations of the Alpha Chi Honor Society, established for the recognition of academic excellence and the Beacon Society, established for the recognition of character, leadership, service and scholarship.



Parents' Weekend: The Newest Dance Craze

Can Dad dance? You bet, when Parents' Weekend rolls around and fathers take their daughters out for a spin around the floor. And it seems that some of them are catching up on the new dances. Was that the hustle we saw them doing? Oh well, maybe it was just an updated version of the jitterbug. Anyone for a foxtrot?



SPRING CONCERT: Sponsored by The Pub



A Spring Pub Concert this year featured the band Kill Devil and, of course, the ever-present Stroh's truck. Everyone rocked out to the Southern sounds at what was to be a fundraiser for new Pub furniture. Well, we never got the furniture money, but a good time was had by all (which is the important thing).



MAY BRINGS . . .



FIRST ANNUAL SPRING CARNIVAL



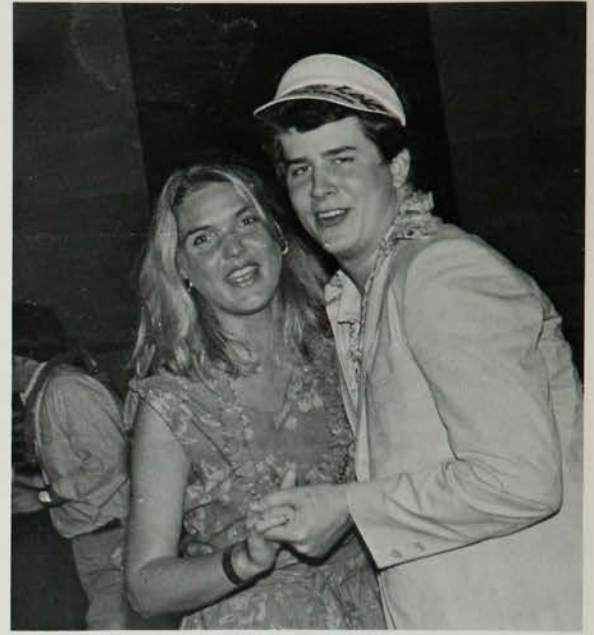
The first annual Mount Vernon College Spring Carnival was held the first weekend in May, 1980. Craftsmen, artisans, clowns and musicians visited the campus to sell their wares or entertain the community. Each dorm and club sponsored a booth or game. A kissing booth, cake walk, cotton candy stand, gold fish throw, and a book sale were only a few of the many features of the day. The Carnival was planned by the Student Government Association and the proceeds were given to the Board of Directors for dorm renovations.

FUN, FOOD AND FROLIC





SPRING WEEKEND — 1980





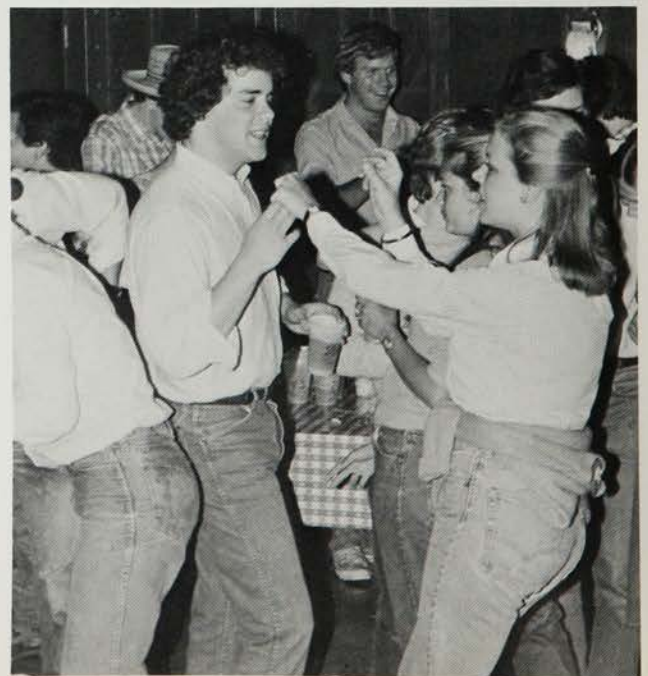
The Spring bash this year included a round-the-clock schedule of activities. On Friday night, students attended a semi-formal party at the Washington Yacht Club dancing to the music of Fat Ammons. Saturday, a scheduled Quad party Hawaiian style was rained out but all guests cheerfully adjourned to the gym where disc jockeys spun records by request. On Sunday, Spring Weekenders were treated to a brunch in the Pub catered by, who else, McDonald's. It's a far cry from Eggs Benedict but as long as everyone's happy



More Spring Weekend



Indoor at the Quad Party . . .



Fun in the Sun . . . Boogie and a Beer



We Mount Vernon girls are famous for our Quad Parties. Summers find us gathered around the band and the Stroh's truck, dancing to the beat and taking in the sun. What better way to blow off some steam and catch some rays?



In an effort to get everyone out into the sunshine for a midday break, Student Activities sponsored a lunchtime concert one Tuesday afternoon. After a quick bite in the cafeteria, the Mount Vernon community was treated to rock music on the Quad.



Lunchtime Concert on the Quad — A Little Afternoon Delight



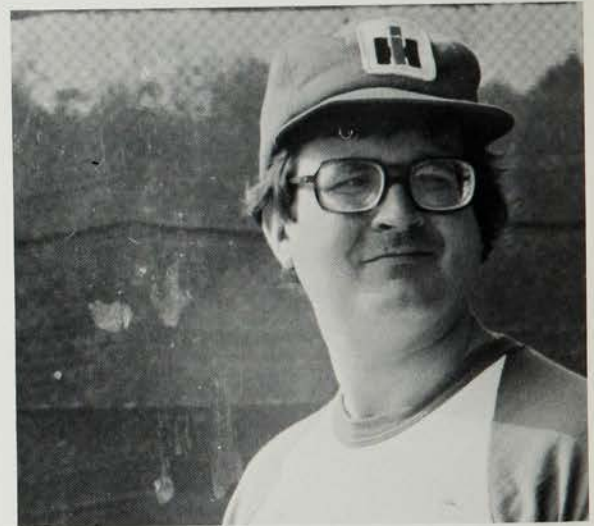
The First Annual M.V.C. Olympics

Students vs. Faculty, Staff and Administration



MVC

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The Thrill of Victory and the Agony of Defeat



This year MVC topped the networks with a sports spectacular of its very own. Instead of the battle of the sexes, we staged the battle of youth vs. experience. Students vied with faculty, staff and administrators in events from soccer and tennis to golf and inner tube paddling in the pool. Despite a valiant effort, the more senior contestants lost. We hate to say youth prevailed, but they did.



During the winter, Curtain Callers produced another Marilys Ernst (C'80) original musical. A tragicomedy, the play centered on the life of a woman whose only fault is generosity and a love of life. Her lover and eventually her enemy is a detective who is unaware that she is the woman he is seeking. His preoccupation with status and money provides a counterpart to her altruism. The leading role of Debbie Maze, alias Mary Mason and Honey, was played by Christine Davenport; the role of Detective Jason Blue was played by Matthew Mallory. The part of Terri was played by Kathy Taylor. Barbara Jean Martin played Sally; Patrick D'Addiario played Jimmy; Ann Willard played Jamie; Colin James Ernst played a dancing waiter. The dancers were Elizabeth Lopkowitz, Douglass Fairfax and three tap dancers from *Feet First*. The band included Marilys Ernst on piano, Lea Hart on flute, and Michael Toperzer on drums. The play was directed by Christel Stevens.



An Original Musical: *PRETZEL LOGIC*



Curtain Callers Produces *CHAMBER MUSIC*

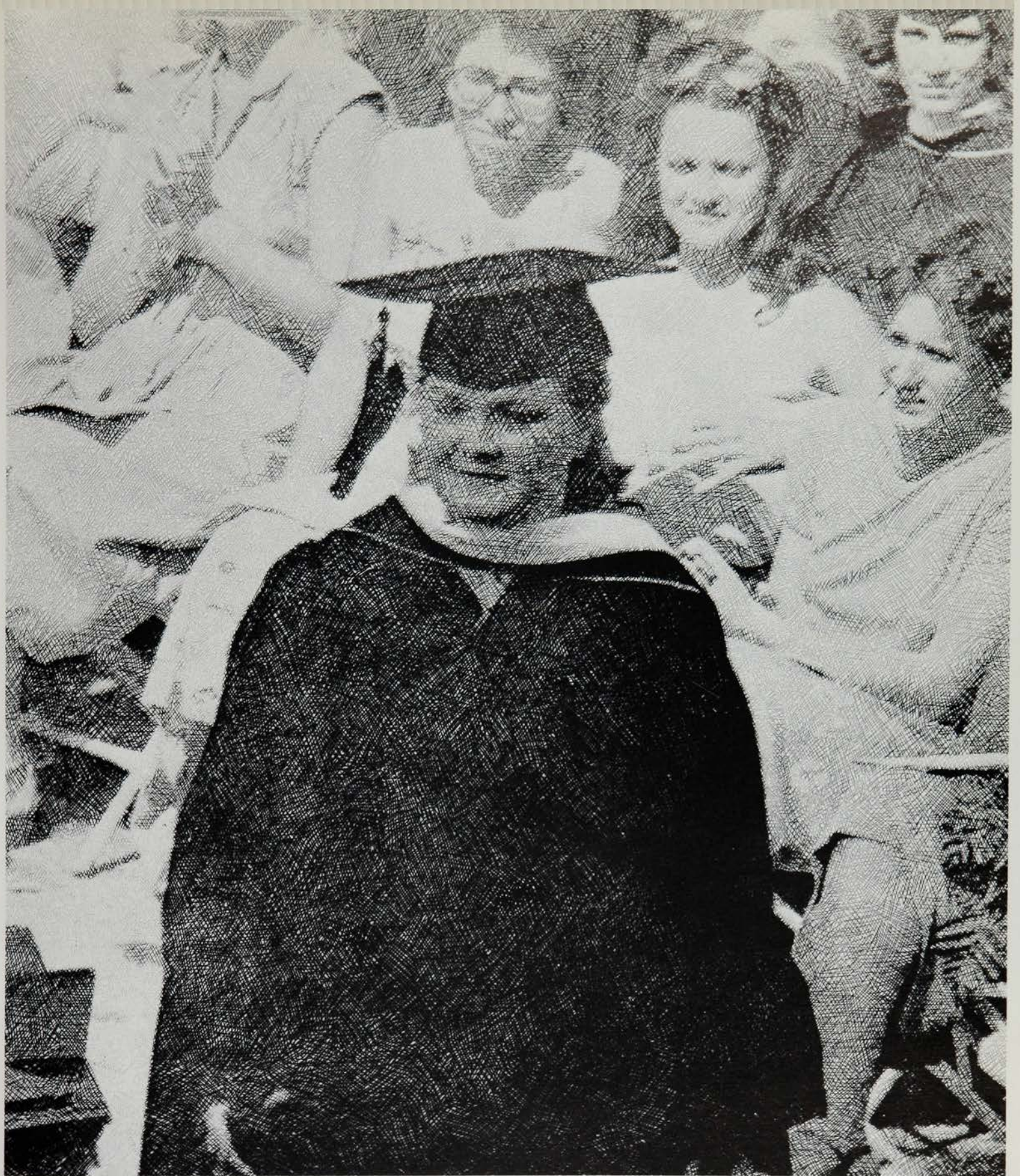


This spring Curtain Callers produced Arthur Copit's tragicomedy, *Chamber Music* in Post Hall. The play concerns eight famous female inmates of an asylum, each afflicted with their own particular brand of insanity. The one exception was Amelia Earhart, played by Lea Hart, whose sanity incurred the enmity of the group and resulted in her early demise. The other characters were: Queen Isabella, played by Robin Crabb; Susan B. Anthony, played by Kathleen Dumais; Mrs. Mozart, played by Marilys Ernst; Pearl White, played by Barbara Jean Martin; Osa Johnson, played by Mary Beth McCormick; Gertrude Stein, played by Liz Smith; and Joan of Arc, played by Ann Willard. The part of the doctor was played by David Jolles.



The 2nd Annual Senior Auction





BACCALAUREATE AND COMMENCEMENT

THE 1980



Top Right: S.G.A. President Barbara Tannenbaum addresses Luncheon. Top Left: Professor Emily Lampert announces Math Awards. Middle Left: Jeanne Benoit accepts Tennis Award from Professor Jan Hollack. Middle Right: Dr. Schuck presents Literary Award to Mary Hooker Taylor. At Right: Nancy Robbins (right) passes the reins of power to new Vice-President of Publicity, Heidi Hoff.



AWARDS LUNCHEON



At Left: Dean Mary Ryan addresses Luncheon at the conclusion of her first year as Dean of Students. Middle Left: Social League V.P. Katie Kittle swears in her successor, Susan Stinson. Middle Right: V.P. Debbie Gama turns over Judicial Board to Barbara Jean Martin. Bottom Left: Yearbook Editor, Kathleen Dumais announces dedication. Bottom Right: Programming V.P. Tracy Bitter welcomes new V.P. Joan Griffith.



Baccalaureate, planned by the senior class was held the morning of Commencement. The ceremony included addresses from several students including Class President Toonie Casey (at right), and Allison Cohen, Class Vice-President. The class gave Dr. Schuck a silver tray in appreciation for her three years of service. Below, Commissioner Micheal C. Calhoun, of the International Trade Commission and Mount Vernon faculty member and house resident, delivers keynote address.



THE 1980 BACCALAUREATE



Above Left: Seniors file into the Chapel for the ceremony. Above Right: Student Board Member Kathleen Dumais and Allison Cohen lead assembly in the new Alma Mater composed by Marilys Ernst with lyrics by Allison Cohen. At Left: Former MVC President Peter Pelham is warmly greeted by parents and friends. He was honored this year by the senior class which presented Mount Vernon an oil portrait of Mr. Pelham.

This year Commencement was finally held outdoors thanks to the good weather. At Right: Judge Patricia Wald addresses the Class of 1980. Middle Left: President Schuck delivers her last Commencement speech. Middle Right: Marcia Teitgen delivers salutatory address. Bottom Left: Dalal Al-Homaizi receives her degree. Bottom Right: Assistant Registrar Doris McNeil makes last minute check.

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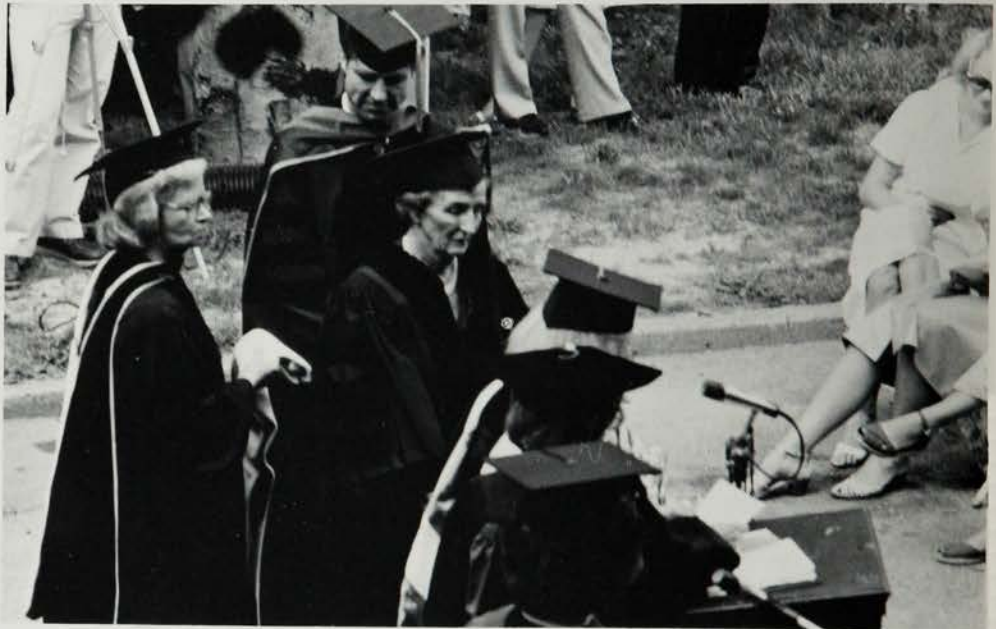
Top Left: Judge Wald receives honorary degree assisted by Dr. Margaret Lerche and Dr. Greg Bentz. Top Right: S.G.A. President Barbara Tannenbaum speaks to her classmates. Middle Left: Nazi Ansari receives her degree. Middle Right: The Class of 1980 move their tassels to signify conferring of the Bachelor of Arts degree. Bottom Left: Valedictorian Lynne Hughes bids farewell to Mount Vernon. Bottom Right: Graduates await the beginning of the ceremony.



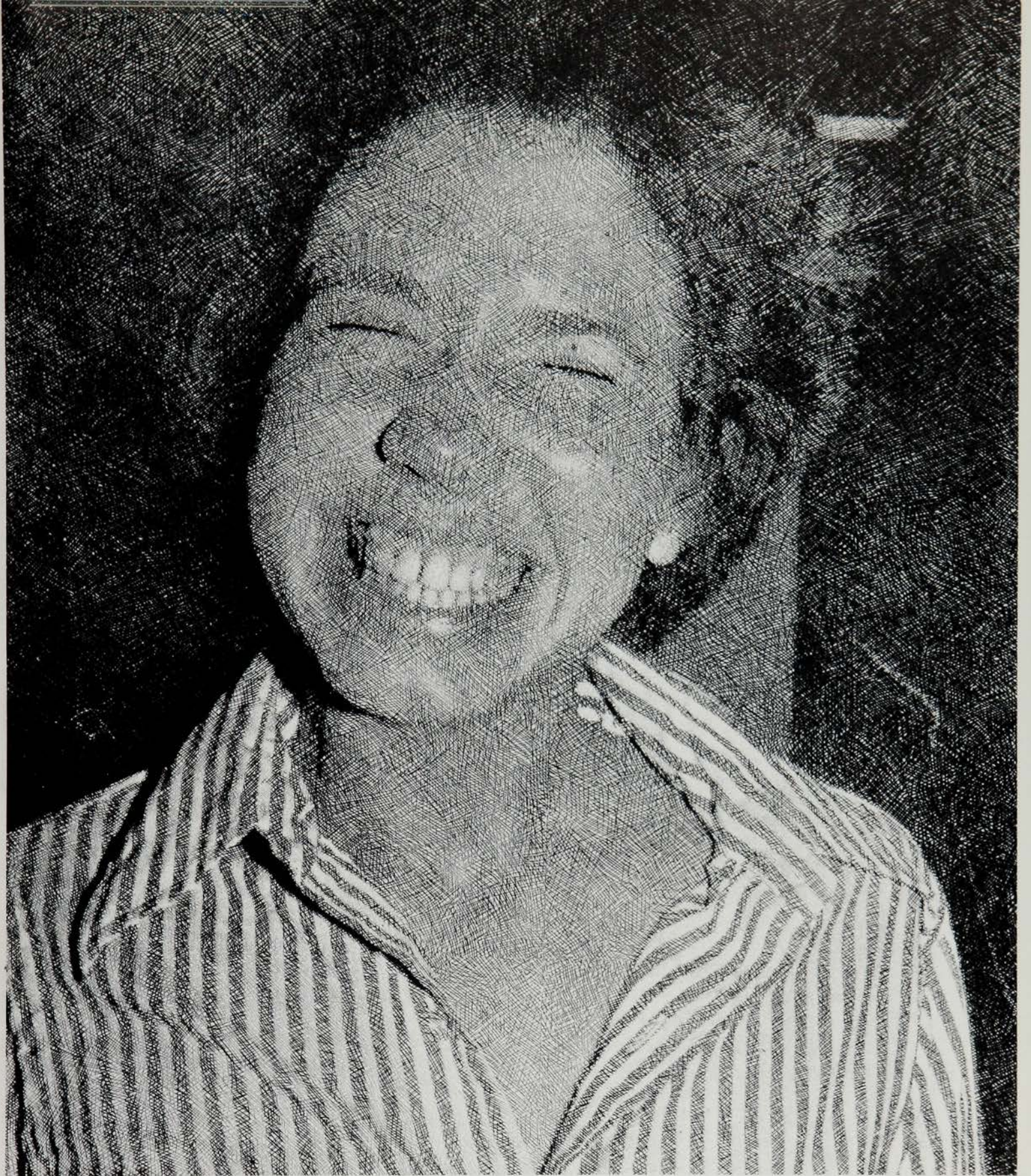
The 105th Commencement: June 1, 1980



... More Commencement



Top Left: Proud parents observe the proceedings. Top Right: Yearbook photographer Alma Gsell receives her degree. Middle Left: Homie Taslimi approaches the podium. Middle Right: Mrs. Marriot receives honorary degree. Bottom Left: Chamber music fills the air. Bottom Right: Dr. Mary Ryan (right), and Professor Jane Higsaw organize degrees as they are presented.



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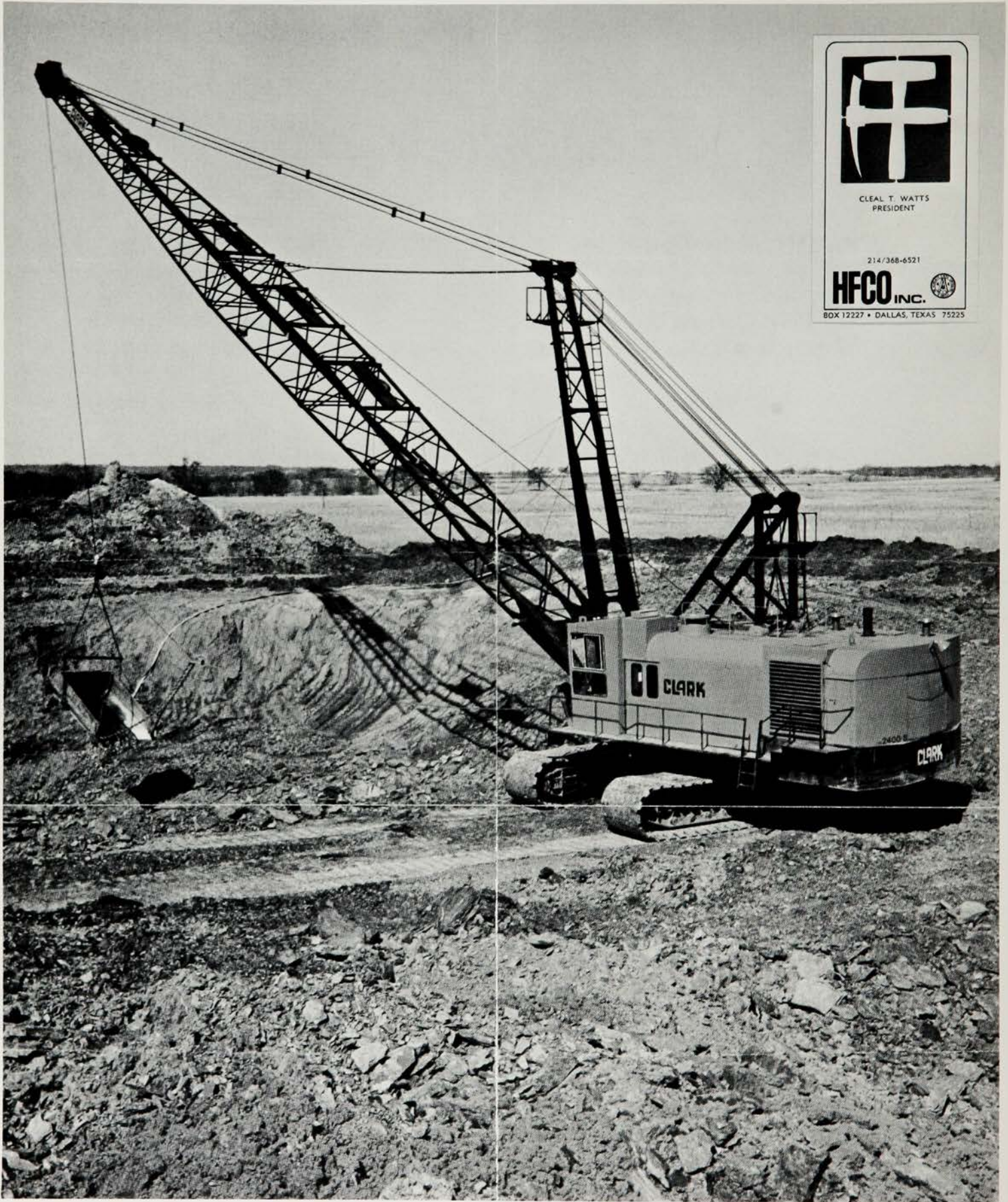
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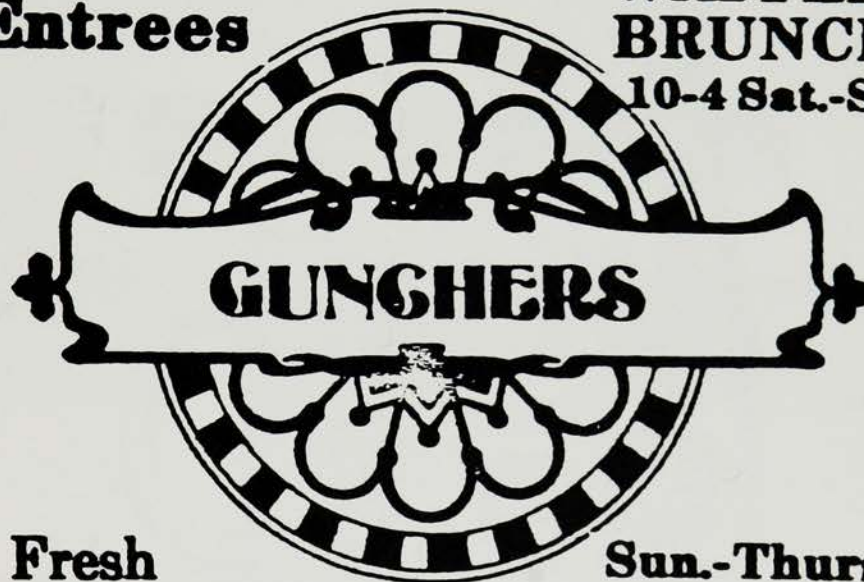


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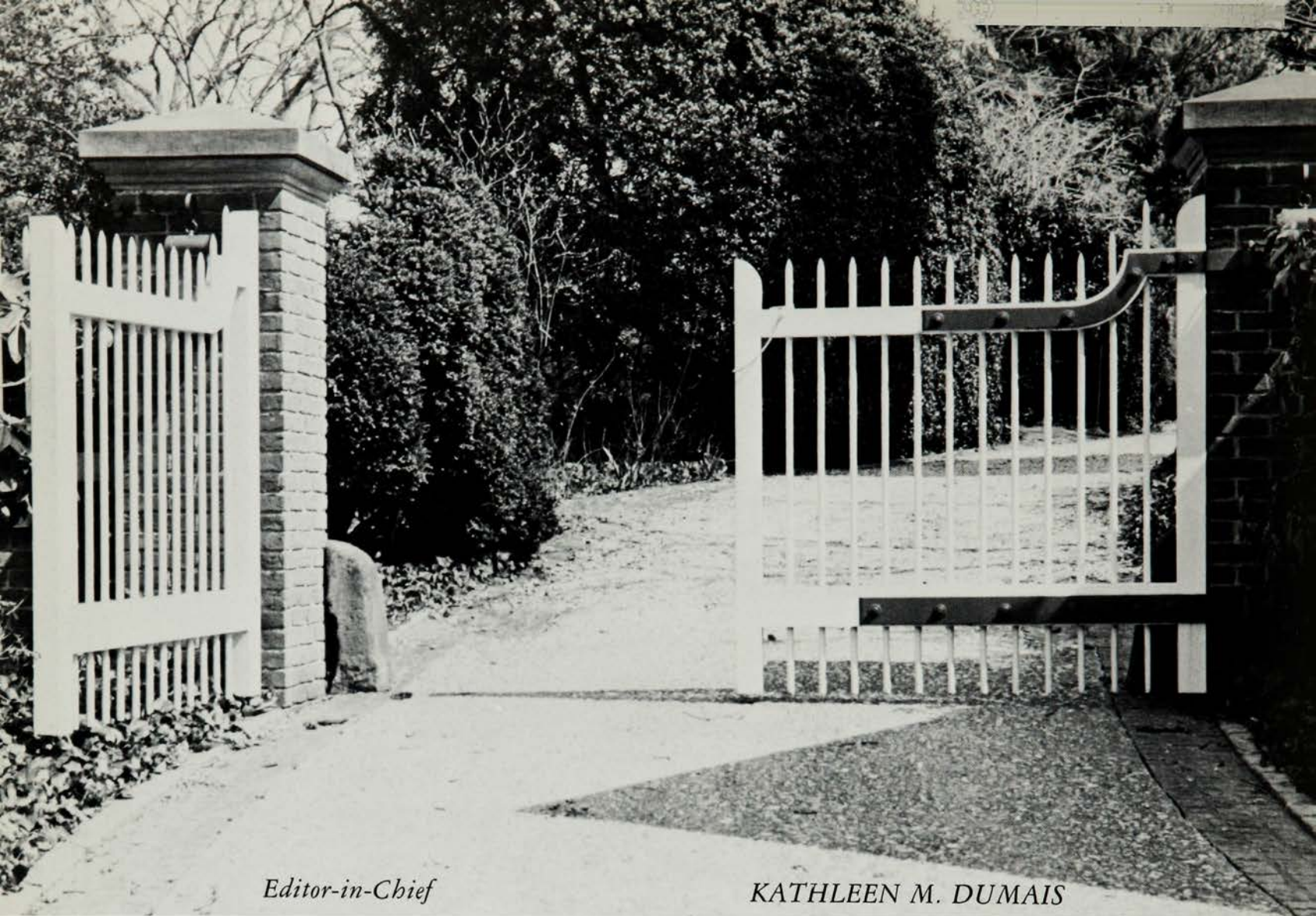
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